

Intermittent rain, becoming cloudy with showers tonight; southeast winds, 25, decreasing to light tonight. Friday: Cloudy with southwest winds, 15. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 35; high Friday, 40.

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## Pope Punishes Mindszenty's Apprehenders

VATICAN CITY (AP)—The Vatican today excommunicated all Roman Catholics who had anything to do with the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty, primate of Hungary. The action was taken by the Sacred Consistorial Congregation, in a decree dated Dec. 28 and published today.

The Communist-led government of Hungary announced the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty last Monday. It accused him of plotting against the government, spying, treason and black-market money dealings. It said Mindszenty was a "sponsor of Hungarian fascism." Ten other church figures also are held.

## Fight Quietens As Peace Talk Floods Nanking

By HAROLD K. MILKS  
NANKING (AP)—War-peace talks still flooded Nanking today but a government spokesman said reports that Chiang Kai-shek called together his lieutenants to discuss China's overall future.

Instead, said spokesman Shen Chang-Chuan at his first press conference, the Chinese military leaders came here for "consultations rather than a conference."

This was taken to mean they were here for individuals rather than collective meetings with the Chinese President.

But Chinese looked forward to Chiang's promised New Year's statement for some inkling of what the generalissimo has on his mind. The big question is will the war continue or is there some hope of peace for China's war weary millions.

Nanking was the scene of constant political activity against a background of recurring reports that a way was being sought for Chiang's retirement in order to open peace negotiations with the Communists.

On the war front itself there was comparative quiet—a strange quiet for China which has known countless wars throughout the centuries and has been involved in almost continuous strife since the 1911 revolution when Sun Yat Sen overthrew the Manchu dynasty.

The Communists themselves seemed to be watching the Nanking conference with great interest. Their forces, now besieging Peiping, Tientsin, Taiyuan and the approaches to Nanking itself, were reported regrouping.

If the Chiang decision is to continue the war, an all-out attack by the Communists might burst with great fury in early January. They hold almost all of North China above the Yangtze and are not likely to let the advantage slip while the hard-pressed Chiang tries to mass new armies and defenses before the broad river at Nanking's doorstep.

## Tahsis Co. Formed On West Coast

PORT ALBERNI (CP)—The Tahsis Company Ltd., new owner of the Gibson Brothers' logging interests on the west coast of Vancouver Island, will commence operation Jan. 1, it was announced today.

The move marks consolidation of certain of the Gibson interests with the Danish East Asiatic Company.

Mills operating under the new registry will be the Tidewater plant at Port Alberni, the Gibson's Mill at Tahsis, and logging operations at Chamiss Bay, Tahsis and Sandspit.

Seven vessels will be involved in the consolidation.

## T.U. May Extend Strike Payments

CHICAGO (CP)—Woodruff Randolph, president of the International Typographical Union (A.F.L.), today advised the union's 87,000 members it may be necessary to extend strike assessments beyond February, 1949.

The union membership voted the assessment last February to finance I.T.U. strikes against 48 newspapers in 29 cities in the United States, Canada and Alaska.

## Charles Has His Mother's Eyes



Here's the latest camera study of Prince Charles of Edinburgh, infant son of Princess Elizabeth. Taken by portrait photographer Cecil Beaton, it shows the five-week-old Prince and his mother in the baby's room at Buckingham Palace. Prince Charles is said to have inherited his mother's enormous dark blue eyes.

## No Baby Black Mart Says Alberta Probe

EDMONTON (CP)—A Royal Commission report on child welfare conditions in Alberta, made public today, finds that there is "not a shred of evidence" to indicate that any Alberta child has been involved in a "black market," as alleged in a story published in New Liberty magazine.

The investigations, ordered by the provincial government following the allegations, resulted in charges being laid by the Alberta government against Jack Kent Cooke, publisher of New Liberty, and Harold Dingman, Ottawa editor of the magazine.

The commission report did recommend, however, the placing of child welfare workers throughout rural Alberta, discontinuance of cross-border placements and a full measure of co-operation between the provincial welfare branch and private agencies in care and custody of children.

The government charges laid in connection with the Liberty story "Babies for Export," alleged to outline welfare conditions in Alberta. Also charged was Dr. Charlotte Whitton, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire welfare expert from Ottawa, who headed a study committee which made the allegations.

All three were tried by an Alberta Supreme Court judge and acquitted after refusing to appear before the commission.

The report was made public by Premier Manning after a meeting of the provincial cabinet. The findings brought to a close the investigation, opened in August, 1947, and closed in June this year.

The commission reported that it did not attempt to deal with individual allegations as contained in newspaper articles or in the L.O.D.E. report, "Welfare in Alberta."

"We have made a genuine effort to deal with all matters in which there is a principle involved," the report says. "We do not wish to be understood as concurring in or approving of any other allegations or criticisms in newspaper articles and the L.O.D.E. report submitted in evidence on which no specific findings have been made."

In dealing with the question of cross-border placements of children, the commission said: "They are not in the national interest. Under the circumstances, the probationary year must be waived and the child immediately lose the protection of our child welfare authorities; in the case of placements in the United States, the child, unless adopted again under the laws of the particular state in which it is placed, is left virtually stateless until it reaches an age when it may become naturalized."

## Offers Of Eyes To Blind Flayed By Toronto Official

TORONTO (CP)—It's about time people who offer to give or sell their eyes to the blind realize that they can't be used, an official of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind said today.

Commenting on an Ottawa report that a young contractor wants to "share eyesight with a blind man," Dr. F. A. Aylesworth, institute consultant, said such offers were of no use to blind persons.

Published reports of the success of corneal grafts in restoring eyesight had led many persons to offer to give or sell their eyes in the belief that they could give sight to others. Only a very limited number of the blind could be aided by corneal graft and enough corneas were available to meet the need. They were obtained from eyes removed because of other diseases.

"In most of these offers there is no spirit of true philanthropy," Dr. Aylesworth said. "People offer their eyes to us every day for \$1,000 or \$10,000. They would put their own eyesight in jeopardy and not because they want to help anyone but because they want money. Even if we could use these eyes we couldn't buy them."

## Car Buyers' Market Said Not Far Off

DETROIT (AP)—Optimism is expressed by Henry Ford II in his year-end statement. The Ford Motor Company president said today conditions indicate a buyers' market is not far away and he added his company would welcome this.

The automobile executive pointed out that Ford redesigned its products this year with an eye to coming competition in a buyers' market.

## Truman, Time's Man Of The Year

NEW YORK (AP)—President Truman is Time magazine's "Man of the Year" for 1948. It is the second time he has been so honored by the news magazine.

Time said in its Jan. 3 issue, released today, that the President's election "was a personal victory almost without historical parallel; a victory of the fighting spirit."

Truman was selected by Time as "Man of the Year" for 1945, the year of the atom bomb.

## U.N. Cease-Fire Fails To Halt Negev Battle

### LATEST

### Vote Return To Work

SEATTLE (AP)—A.F.L. foremen and checkers voted today to return to work on Seattle's waterfront. The action, announced by state federation of labor president E. M. (Ed) Weston, cleared the way for reopening of the port this afternoon.

### Duchess Jailed

MADRID (AP)—The beautiful Duchess of Valencia today was convicted of high treason and sentenced to a year in prison for her outspoken monarchist activities. A monarchist friend, Joe Pardo Balmonte, was sentenced to 10 months. Two others arrested with them, army officers, are to be tried later by a court-martial.

### Determined Strikers

SPOKANE (AP)—A union leader charged with assault and housebreaking in a Metaline Falls mine strike said today the miners are determined to keep non-strikers out of the mines.

James W. Greene, vice-president of Local 515 of the C.I.O. International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, said the strikers would stay out two years if necessary to settle their dispute with the American Zinc, Lead and Smelting Company.

### Probe Theft Ring

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver police are holding four men and a woman for investigation in what they consider a criminal ring for the retention of stolen goods.

Following arrests Wednesday and last night, police recovered a large quantity of stolen goods believed to be loot from several Vancouver and Fraser Valley holdups.

### Removed Wrong Ribs

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP)—District of Columbia officials are investigating an operation performed Tuesday at the government-owned Glenn Dale Sanatorium in which a surgeon removed ribs from the wrong side of a tubercular woman's chest.

The woman, whose name was withheld, was reported in a serious condition but Glenn Dale officials said her chances of recovery are good.

### The Real McCoy Dead

STUART, Fla. (AP)—Capt. Bill McCoy, 71, pioneer Florida passenger and freight boat operator, died from a heart attack aboard his boat today.

McCoy was credited here with originating the term "The Real McCoy." Friends said he also founded "rum row" during the prohibition era.

When the nation voted prohibition, friends said McCoy bought a schooner with a capacity of 6,000 cases and boasted he never sold anything but "The Real McCoy."

### Boeing Plant Gets \$39,422,000 Order

WASHINGTON (AP)—The air force said today it is buying 23 Boeing C-97 cargo planes for \$39,422,000.

The planes will be used to replace cargo ships now assigned to the Berlin airlift but will not be used directly in the "operation Vittles." The air force said planes on the supply run are wearing out faster than they would in normal service.

The new air force order of the huge C-97 carriers brings to 63 the total of the planes delivered or on order.

Thirteen were delivered previously and 27 others are on order. They are being made in the Seattle plant. A company spokesman said the additional planes will be built at the wartime Renton plant.

## Predict Israel Will Refuse To Give Up Ground

TEL AVIV (AP)—An Israeli Army spokesman said today fighting still is going on in the Negev desert of southern Palestine. He said the battle is much less intense than earlier in the week but in a wider area.

Air activity on both sides was reported confined to areas where ground fighting is going on. Israeli and Egyptian troops have been battling in the Negev since Dec. 21.

(In London, meanwhile, a British foreign office spokesman said Britain is seeking confirmation of a report from the embassy in Cairo that a Jewish patrol had penetrated 12 miles into Egyptian territory.)

(The Foreign Office said Wednesday night it recognized that a patrol might have crossed the border in error. The spokesman said today a report that Israeli forces entered Egyptian territory had been received and was believed to be correct. The information was not from embassy sources but was believed to have originated with the Egyptians.)

The United Nations' Security Council Wednesday ordered another cease fire in Palestine and a withdrawal of Jewish troops from the Negev.

A spokesman for the Jewish state said the government has received no official word from the Security Council and therefore has not yet dealt with the question. Until a full text of the resolution arrives, the attitude of Israel will not be fixed, he said.

A Foreign Office spokesman indicated earlier in the week Israel will obey a cease fire order.

Well-informed circles predicted Israel will refuse to carry out any withdrawal based on the Nov. 4 decision. That decision called on Israel to remove from the Negev troops which had not been there before that date.

Circles close to the government said Israel's point of view is larger.

## Dutch Announce Capture Of Big Djambi Oil Fields

BATAVIA, Java (AP)—Dutch authorities announced today they have seized the last economically important area controlled by the Indonesian republic, the Djambi oilfields in southern Sumatra.

"On the whole the installations were undamaged," a communiqué said, referring obliquely to republican scorched-earth tactics. "Efforts to set fire to them resulted in a few unimportant fires only. Resistance was negligible."

The seizure Wednesday marked part of the Dutch army's race to complete its campaign before the imposition of cease-fire orders by the United Nations. The Netherlands told the Security Council Wednesday these would be effective in Java at midnight New Year's Eve and in Sumatra two or three days later.

The communiqué also reported the capture of Daanjanja, chief of staff of the Republican Siliwangi division. It said Daanjanja was responsible for the infiltration of republican guerrillas into Dutch areas of west Java.

The Netherlands have occupied all major republican cities in Java and have linked up many of them. The capture of Djambi opens the way for a similar link-up between Dutch forces in northern and southern Sumatra.

A republican radio station, broadcasting from "somewhere in Java," said guerrillas made synchronized attacks early Wednesday on Dutch-held Malang, Semarang, Walikukun and Bandjarnegara.

Some buildings were destroyed at Malang, policemen posted at the town's borders were captured and "tom-tom beating by the population added to the confusion of the defending Dutch troops," said the broadcast.

H. B. Elworthy, president of Island Tug and Barge Ltd., said the Island Navigator was in Nootka Sound at the time she was ordered out to help the Towmac and the freighter.

A second Island tug craft, the Island Commander is also en route to aid the two distressed vessels now fighting a gale. The Island Commander was en route to the Fraser River with a tow of logs when she received her orders to go to the aid of the Towmac and Stathatos.

## New Year Holiday May Claim 170 Lives

CHICAGO (AP)—The National Safety Council today estimated 170 persons will die in traffic accidents in the United States over the New Year holiday. The council's estimate covers the period from 6 p.m. (local time) Friday to midnight Sunday. It said the ultimate toll may be larger.

### Rescuer



Lt. Col. Emil G. Beaudry (above) piloted the ski-fitted C-47 which successfully removed 12 air force airmen from a Greenland icecap, where they had been stranded for several weeks. (NEA Telephoto)

## Calgary Fireman, Victim Of Blast, Had Victoria Son

CALGARY (CP)—An explosion and flash fire which heavily damaged the Union Packing Company's three-story brick plant at Nose Creek in east Calgary Wednesday night resulted in fatal injuries to a veteran Calgary fire department captain and lesser injuries to three other men.

The victim was Captain Arthur Simmons, 58, who suffered injuries to the head in a fall while fighting the fire. He died in hospital this morning.

Three other men were taken to hospital suffering from head and face burns received in the fire.

Fire Chief Shelley said today that full firemen's honors will be accorded Capt. Simmons at funeral services next week. An inquest into his death also is planned sometime next week.

Native of Wraxall, Somerset, England, Capt. Simmons joined the Calgary fire department in 1911. Survivors include his widow; a daughter, Miss Ruby Simmons of Edmonton; and a son Eric Simmons, a member of the Victoria, B.C. fire department.

## Gales Delay Ships Off British Coasts

LONDON (Reuter)—Fierce gales heralding the approach of snow brought distress and delay to ships around the coast of Britain today.

The 83,000-ton ocean giant Queen Elizabeth was prevented from moving into drydock at Southampton for annual overhaul; the 16,532-ton liner Orbita, due at Liverpool from East Africa, was forced to heave to outside the estuary approaches and wait for better conditions; and the 11,607-ton liner Apapa was unable to leave Canada Dock, Liverpool, to pick up passengers at the landing stage.

Seven seamen jumped their ship into a lifeboat off the west coast of Scotland when the 225-ton trawler Bridesmaid capsized in one of the worst gales in the area for several years.

## B.C.'s Coastline Buffeted By Gale

VANCOUVER (CP)—British Columbia's rugged coastline is being buffeted by gale force winds and gusts as high as 62 miles per hour today.

Heavy rains and rising temperatures are expected to eat up the snow that still blankets parts of Vancouver, and mainland districts.

Small craft at sea ran for shelter at the first warning of the storm, which is expected to subside by evening.

## City Tug Sails To Rescue Vancouver Tug, Freighter

The Victoria tug Island Navigator today went to the rescue of the Vancouver tug Towmac, reported in distress 80 miles off Cape Flattery with the disabled Greek freighter Maria Stathatos in tow.

The Towmac is the second B.C. vessel to run into trouble while attempting to rescue the Stathatos.

First vessel was Pacific Salvage's powerful tug Salvage King which set out Dec. 18 on a 2,500-mile journey to the Stathatos which lost her propeller in the North Pacific just south of the centre of the Aleutian Islands chain.

The Salvage King was forced to turn back when her water



## Canada Hits New Heights In Business And Industry

Canada went on to new heights of business and industrial activity in 1948, with nearly all signs pointing to a prosperous 1949.

True, the year gone by may prove to have been the last one of peaks in this postwar era, and new peaks may not come until they are developed out of the present strong base of industrial strength for an increased population.

In a way, indeed, 1948 may be considered the end of the postwar period; the war's material toll has been assessed, its dislocations recognized, and measures put under way to deal with them.

The future is the story of how these measures work out, how they are adjusted to meet changing needs, to what degree the western world will continue to co-operate and what amelioration or worsening may occur in international relations. It is the opening of a new volume.

The years 1947 and 1948 may be considered as a unit. In them came the realization that this was no postwar in the 1919-20 sense; that the world, in desperate need, was at the point of economic collapse; and, with the realization, came emergency measures which could hardly have been dreamed of as possible 25 years ago.

These measures, partly aid from the western hemisphere, partly austerity in Europe, are why we are doing business today—and doing it for the last two years at the greatest pace ever known in Canada and the United States.

### WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

Through these two years observers have asked: "When is the end, the break, the recession?" Now they ask it again as they see signs of an increased supply of some kinds of goods. To venture a reply one must look at the things which cause activity and see whether they

are still there, and at the things which might slow it down.

Causing activity are capital expansion, which includes new building, machinery and repairs; exports, assisted by the European Recovery Program; and rearmament.

Of these, capital expansion accounted for the spending of about \$3,000,000,000 in 1948; it is too early to say whether it will be as great in 1949, but it certainly will be very heavy. If there is a fall at all in exports it should not be great. Rearmament demands are likely to be heavier rather than less.

These are the activating forces, which keep things from running down.

True, as reported by the Bureau of Statistics, more than one-half of all activity results from the dealings of Canadians with one another, the sales of consumer goods and services, and it is in consumer goods that most signs show of supply catching up with demand.

Is this then a sign of recession? Could be, except that falling off of demand is chiefly notable in non-essential or luxury goods, and the demand for essential goods remains high. Also, the activating forces mentioned are bringing in more money which will create new consumer demand. Further, many expanded plants are not yet dependent on the production of consumer goods, but are being asked to produce for such enterprises as power developments which will make possible the use of more consumer items.

It is a paradox of the times that while fear is expressed at every sign of falling activity, there is also fear of anything that might demand increased activity; fear that the economy cannot stand indefinitely going from peak to peak. A few years ago one would have said it couldn't; now it is difficult to say what it can stand.

At present food seems to be getting more plentiful, though it is difficult to see any long-range surplus of it in a hungry world. In immediate circumstances it may be the thing which will stop the cycle by which the rise in price of one item brings a rise in the price of another. At present it is the best hope of a leveling off or lowering in the cost of living.

There doesn't seem present prospect, however, of any great reduction in prices, because costs of production are so high.

### Sooke Legion Plans New Year's Eve Dance

SOOKE—Sooke Branch No. 54, Canadian Legion, will hold its annual New Year's Eve dance in Sooke Community Hall. Supper will be served and King's orchestra will play.

Jack Lindley, Sooke, is president of the Sooke branch, and Jack Myers of Milne's Landing, secretary.

## Picturesque Buffet Supper For Scottish Dance

By ROY THORSEN

Outstanding feature of tomorrow night's New Year's Eve dance of the Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's) invitational dance at Bay Street Armories will be the most unique menu ever prepared for a social event in Victoria.

Karl Breitschmid, 42-year-old Swiss chef who has had 26 years' experience in the art of preparing fare for the inner man, has put his highest artistic qualities into this effort . . . and the finished product should be a remarkable display, with something French, a bit of the Swiss, the Russian, Italian and Swedish in its design.

Lieutenant-Governor Charles A. Banks, honorary colonel of the regiment, will be among the distinguished guests. He will be "piped in" at 10:30. Lt.-Col. R. D. Travis reports that the attendance will number about 300 officers, honored members and invited guests. Dance will start at 9:30 and continue until 2.

"I believe that what Karl will turn out will be the finest display of foodstuffs ever seen in Canada," Col. Travis said.

### A "PICTURE" FEAST

Karl, who was chef in hotels in many cities of continental Europe—including Italy's Milan, Nice and Monte Carlo of France, Innsbruck of Austria and in his former homeland—has created something of a picture out of practically everything that will be there to eat.

In addition to a stuffed traditional boar's head, turkeys, hams, meats for the table of almost every name, "plank" salmon, 17 different varieties of salads, crab, cracked lobster and many other things that make up a banquet, he has used foodstuffs to manufacture scenes.



Karl Breitschmid, Swiss-born chef, with some of the "scenic" features of the buffet supper he is arranging for the Scottish New Year's Eve dance. In addition to decorated hams, turkeys and other tempting dishes, picture shows his more artistic efforts. On the extreme left is a portion of a church made from cottage cheese. Next is a Swiss chalet perched in the Alps made from sugar, followed by the stuffed boar's head. On the extreme right is a hill and lake scene made chiefly from potato salad.

For instance, there is a scene depicting a charming Swiss chalet nestled in the midst of the snow-clad Alps. Made of sugar, the layout is hollow to allow for illumination.

Potato salad is the main feature that went into the making of a hill and lake scene.

Sugar has been used in the construction of a beautiful Italian gondola, drawn by six white swans of the same substance. There is an escort of corvettes made of French croissants. The water the boat is sailing in is jelly conomme.

To create a Quebec country church, Karl employed cottage cheese, pieces of ham acting for windows . . . and there are ox tongues carved to represent women's shoes and other decorative features.

There will be three chefs to handle the business of carving the meats.

It will be a buffet-style feast. Karl came to Canada 19 years ago and has been in Victoria for three years.

He was an air force veteran for five years in the catering department; reports that he has

cooked at the Queen's Hotel in Montreal, prepared meals eaten by Mackenzie King, the late Lord Bennett, three governor-generals and the late Duke of Kent. He cooked for some years in prairie cities.

### 'OPEN HOUSE' SATURDAY

On New Year's Day afternoon the Scottish officers, sergeants and men's messes will be open to receive friends of the regiment. Col. Travis says that officers will parade at 9:30, start making calls at 10, return to the mess for lunch and receive friends in the mess from 3 to 5:30.

## Husband's Spite Led To Killing And Suicide Coroner Believes

Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, believes in the case of the double shooting in the living-room of 308 View Royal Avenue home on Christmas Day, Edgar King, 31-year-old B.C. Electric gasworks employee, shot his three-year-old daughter, Linda Jean, to death and then killed himself with the same gun.

Following an inquiry today into the father's death the coroner announced "it is a plain case of suicide."

The jury, investigating the death of the little girl, yesterday returned a verdict that the girl was murdered by a person or persons unknown.

Dr. Hart ordered an inquest into the child's death, but only an inquiry in the father's case. "The only motive here," he told the jury, "could be spite against the wife because she was seeking a divorce."

He labeled the person who would take the life of a young innocent as a murderer of the lowest class. "Parents troubles are no justification for the murder of the child," he declared.

When the jury returned its verdict, Coroner Hart said: "Personally, gentlemen, I could do a lot better than that, but it is a legal verdict. I'll take it."

Mrs. Sheila King told the jury she was attempting to get a divorce as she and Mr. King had not been getting along. On the advice of her lawyer she had left home several days prior to the tragedy.

### LYING DEAD SIDE-BY-SIDE

Witness said she came to the home at 11:45 Christmas Day and found her child and husband lying side-by-side on the floor dead from gunshot wounds in their heads. She had called police.

Mrs. King said her husband had been "nervy and jumpy" of late and had been drinking fairly heavily, when questioned if he

was upset over the divorce proceedings. Constable Jack Lockie described the wounds caused by 22 bullets. He said there was an empty quart whisky bottle and a partly-filled pint of rye in the house, also a partially full glass of whisky on the arm of a chair in the living-room.

The rifle, which Dr. Hart said was underneath the man when he appeared on the scene, Const. Lockie said was owned by William Mackay, a boarder who lived in a suite in the lower part of the house. Mackay told the court he was in Vancouver when the tragedy occurred and that the rifle and shells were in his unlocked apartment.

John Field, friend of the family, said King, late Christmas Eve, was driving her to a relative's place when he became involved in an accident at Quadra and Johnson Streets.

### CAR IMPOUNDED

Police, she said, impounded the car and suggested they use a taxi. King, witness said, became panicky. She said he had been drinking.

Mrs. Field said Mrs. King, who had come to the View Royal home to bring presents Friday evening, said she would stay and look after the child.

After the accident around midnight, witness said, King telephoned home and became worried when he received no answer. When they arrived home Linda Jean was awake, but alone, Mrs. Field said.

Mrs. Field said she got the child to sleep and left. This, she estimated, was about 2 or 2:30 in the morning.

## Crosby Tops For Fifth Straight Year

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — It's getting monotonous.

Bing Crosby, for the fifth straight year, walked off today with Motion Picture Herald's box office tabulation of the movies' best money-makers.

The Herald remarked that this is the first time any star has racked up so many wins in the poll's 17-year history, and "all this seems to entitle the self-styled groaner to the all-time box office championship."

As was the case last year, Betty Grable finished in the runner-up spot. It's the sixth time the beautiful Betty has made the top 10. Abbott and Costello, after three years' absence from the lists, bounced back into third spot. Others, in order, are Gary Cooper, Bob Hope, Humphrey Bogart, Clark Gable, Cary Grant, Spencer Tracy and Ingrid Bergman.

The trick in adding solid ingredients, such as fruits or vegetables, to a gelatin mixture is to chill the mixture until it is the consistency of a beaten egg white and then stir in the solid ingredients.

## New Year's Bells To Honor War Dead

The war dead will be remembered as Victoria ushers in the New Year Friday night.

Bells of Christ Church Cathedral will play half-muffled from 11:45 till midnight in honor of those killed in two world wars.

From midnight till 12:15, the bells will ring unmuffled, following an old British custom.

The "nine tailors" will be rung on the tenor bell, "King George V," at midnight. This consists of striking a series of three blows three times. Each blow is a tailor, and the saying goes, nine tailors make a man.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous. Confidential assistance on drink problems. P.O. Box 1, Victoria, B.C.

An invitation to all societies to inspect the new Newsweek Realty Hall, 734 Fort Street. Available for meetings and social functions. Make your reservations early.

Chiropodist, W. J. Fraser, D.S.C., 201 Pemberton Bldg. B 3252.

Chiropodist D. B. Caird, D.S.C., 218 Pemberton Bldg. Phone B 3732.

Dinner Dance, Melody Lane, Tuesday through Saturday evening, Century Room. Fred Pitt and his orchestra.

E 9121, Estella M. Kelley, 501 Union Bldg. View, Reducing, Colonics, Shortwave, Massage.

Foot Specialist—Chiropodist, J. H. Narod, D.S.C., 1405 Douglas. G 2725.

Get your Konson lighter repaired while you wait. Metalcraft Lighter Repairs, 703 Fort Street at Kilbuck's Jewellers.

Hearing aid, good condition, Aurex two-piece, 206 Kresge Building, Victoria. E 2436.

J. M. Sturdy, D.C., Specific Chiropactor. New location, 1123 Blanshard Street. E 5034.

Learn Hairdressing—Fall class now starting. Operators in demand Victoria Hairdressing School, 738 Fort Street (over Kent's Ltd.).

League of Roses banquet and entertainment Dec. 29, 7:45 p.m. Tickets \$1.50 each. Obtainable by phoning the secretary. E 5356.

Mrs. Uthoff's studio, 1221 Wharf Street, will reopen Wednesday, Jan. 5. Life classes, landscape, still life paintings, design, illustration, commercial art. Children's classes. Monthly or term rates. Evening group now being arranged. E 3588, E 1614.

New Year's Eve Watchnight Service at the Salvation Army Citadel, 757 Pandora, 10:45 p.m. A hearty welcome to all.

Notice—The Malahat Chalet is closed from Dec. 23 until 9 a.m., Jan. 7, for staff holidays.

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Watchnight Party and Service at First Baptist Church, 9 to 12 p.m. Film, "My Name is Han."

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## Tug-Of-War Looms Over Three-Year-Old

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A cross-country tug-of-war for the custody of three-year-old Vickie Jeanne Snyder loomed today as her mother, Mrs. Jeanne M. Braget, 21, was jailed on kidnapping charges.

Mrs. Braget gave herself up to police and said she will fight extradition to face charges of taking the girl from the Harrisburg, Pa., home of her paternal grandparents and legal guardians.

The mother and her present husband, John Braget, 35, Tacoma, Wash., came in to the nearby Pomona police station Tuesday with the youngster after reading in newspapers about the search for them. Vicki was given temporarily to juvenile authorities.

The grandparents adopted the child after her parents were divorced three years ago.

But the mother from the jail cell said: "I don't believe I have done anything wrong," and "I never signed any adoption papers willingly."

But Dist. Atty. Carl B. Shelley of Harrisburg, who issued the kidnapping warrant, said legal adoption of Vicki by the grandparents took away Mrs. Braget's rights to the child.

## E. & N. Engineer Steps Down After 48 Years' Service

When engineer A. C. Wilson swings down from his cab in the E. & N. yard engine Friday, he will be through with active rail.

Mr. Wilson's first job was carrying water to men working on streetcar tracks on Government Street just before the turn of the century. He has been connected with railways ever since. He joined the E. & N. as a wiper in 1900, when the line was owned by the Dunsmuir family. Not long afterward he was made a fireman, and in 1909, got his engineer's papers.

It would be hard to count the number of times Mr. Wilson has traveled up and down the length of the island or tell of many experiences he has had as a railwayman. He will never forget, however, the day in October 1922, when he was making a trip to Cowichan over newly-laid track. The engine was passing by Cowichan Lake, when the tracks gave way and the cab fell into the water.

The fireman managed to jump clear as the train fell, but Mr. Wilson didn't have a chance to get out until the train was under water. Then, with great presence of mind, he pushed himself out the cab opening and swam to the surface.

While life as an engineer was not always this exciting, Mr. Wilson has found it most enjoyable. He is looking forward to his retirement, though, and is planning to do a little gardening and some fishing.

## Opposition Wins Over Cabinet In Boys' Parliament

Two pieces of legislation proposed by the cabinet of the Older Boys' Parliament of British Columbia in the 18th session here were amended Wednesday night at the insistence of the opposition which received support from some members on the government side of the house.

The session, which started Tuesday and which closes Friday, is being held in the Legislative Chamber at the Parliament Buildings for the first time since 1936. Nearly 50 boys from church and Y.M.C.A. groups throughout the province are taking part.

The legislation amended Wednesday night had to do with financing of the boys' parliament, and with powers of the parliament.

With Bob Wallace, government critic from Armstrong, spearheading the attack, the opposition won a battle to drop a section of government motion which would have empowered the cabinet to instigate "such measures as it sees fit" to finance coming sessions of the boys' parliament.

### DEMANDS BUDGET

The critic demanded the cabinet bring in a budget before the end of the present session rather than leave the question of finances in a vague light.

The second victory for the opposition was the striking out of a clause of an act to amend the Older Boys' Parliament of British Columbia Act, which would have given the Senate power to reserve any of the statutes passed by the parliament.

Third and final reading was given to an act to amend the Older Boys' Parliament of B.C. Act, Consolidated 1946, which makes the recently-formed B.C. Boys' Work Board the senate of the parliament.

During the afternoon sitting, greetings of the provincial government were brought to the boys' group by Premier Byron Johnson and Education Minister W. T. Straith.

## 7-Day Jail Sentence

A seven-day jail sentence was given Thomas Kelvington by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court Wednesday following a charge of drunken driving laid by police after Kelvington was involved in an automobile accident Dec. 18.

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## Italian Reds Losing Power To Call Paralyzing Strike

ROME (AP)—Events following the near assassination of Communist leader Palmiro Togliatti may have cost Communism its decisive voice in Italian labor.

Labor leaders, industrialists and foreign experts watching the struggle here between labor and capital say the time when Communist labor leaders could easily paralyze the country with strikes passed in 1948. A combination of Communist errors or misfor-

tunes, vigorous government use of police and new courage among employers has completely changed the picture.

The Communists are now pushing a type of "slow down" strike which could do damage. But Italian industry is inclined to think the major battle has been won.

The European Recovery Program is rolling in Italy, despite Communist declaration of war on it in January.

The year proved, one foreign labor expert said, that "the Communists control the unions, but not the men."

It was only over Togliatti's near-dead body that hotter heads called a national strike that split the National Federation of Labor (C.G.I.L.) and turned into Communist labor's most disastrous defeat in Italy.

After a Sicilian student fired four shots into Togliatti July 14, his "action-minded" lieutenants tried to topple the Christian Democrat government of Alcide de Gasperi—elected three months earlier in an overwhelming victory for anti-Communists—by shutting down the country's businesses.

Interior Minister Mario Scelba sent his national police into action. In less than 36 hours the strike was called off.

There were two major results: The government's police proved strong enough to master wide-spread trouble quickly, giving courage to employers.

The anti-Communist Christian Democrats seized the opportunity to break away from the Red-dominated C.G.I.L. and set up their own free General Confederation of Labor (L.C.G.I.L.).

These two events may have spoiled Communism's big offensive against E.R.P. in Italy.

### Impure Vaccines Blamed For Deaths Of 64 Japs

TOKYO (AP)—The Japanese immunization program was halted today because of the deaths of 64 persons and the illness of 900 more. Allegedly impure vaccines were recalled and examined.

## Snow Isolates California Communities



Road construction worker, his road scraper bogged down after being pressed into service as makeshift snowplow, struggles through waist-high snow drifts on the Lake County and Colusa County, Calif., border, where the worst snowstorm in local history shut off all traffic, isolated two towns completely. (NEA Telephoto)

## Former Candidate Wishes To Outline Program To Council

An unsuccessful aldermanic candidate in the recent civic election, Reg. Clarke St., 2665 Forbes Street, wrote to the city today, requesting permission to appear before a January meeting of council to outline and seek support for the program he put forth.

He asked for 20 minutes and felt his plans would benefit the citizenry generally, if put into effect.

Among the matters he wishes to discuss are: pegging the mill rate, efficiency of city council, appointment of a city weights and measures inspector, transportation, polling stations, lighting improvements and question of "council members tending in city council business."

He wrote that he wished to discuss also, city appointments and residential qualifications and reduction in building permit fees.

## Reports Movie Firm Interested In Site

Reports are current in the city that a well-known British motion picture syndicate are interested in the airport site at Gordon Head for the making of movies.

Feelers were sent out at least six months ago but no action could be taken until Saanich voted on the rezoning of the 57-acre site, necessary before it could be used as an airport.

## Seek Authority For House Costs

Indication of an authority by which the Saanich council could undertake to pay a share of the costs of the welfare house, was sought by John B. Tribe, municipal clerk, in a letter received at city hall, today.

Mr. Tribe was replying to a letter from the city of Nov. 3, requesting municipal councils of Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, to consider contributing on a proportionate basis, towards the cost of the repairs, alterations and improvements which may be required from time to time.

## Trial Date Jan. 6

Trial date was set for Jan. 6 in nine charges against H. G. Milroy when he appeared before Magistrate H. C. Hall on remand in city police court today. He is charged on eight counts alleging failure to pay employees under the provisions set out in the Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act, one count under the Female Minimum Wage Act.

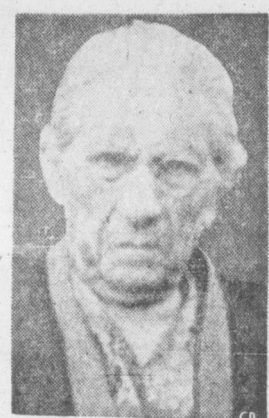
## Ottawa Contractor Wants To Share Eyes

OTTAWA (CP)—W. A. Armstrong, 23-year-old Ottawa contractor, wants to share his eyesight with a blind man.

At the suggestion of William E. Hamilton, field secretary here for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Armstrong will write to the institute's Toronto office to make his offer, he said today. Mr. Hamilton said the institute "could" and "probably would accept the offer."

Explained Armstrong, who is single: "I am tired of seeing blind men tapping along the streets, with their white canes. Tapping, tapping, tapping, tapping, tapping, and nobody doing anything about it. So I decided I would do something about it."

## 108th Christmas



Mrs. James P. Fiorello of Jacques River, N.B., is one of the few persons who can look back on 108 Christmas days. Born at Caplin, Que., in August, 1841, she has lived at Jacques River since she was 13. Still active and able to do her own shopping, Mrs. Fiorello has good hearing and vision and her natural teeth. Her husband died in 1925 at the age of 80. (CP Photo)

## Britain's Balance Of Trade With This Dominion Improving

LONDON (CP)—Board of Trade figures showed today there is progress by the United Kingdom towards a better balance of trade with Canada through increased exports and reduced imports.

In 10 months this year, imports from Canada were valued at \$185,500,000 (\$742,000,000), and exports to Canada \$55,750,000. In the same period last year purchases from Canada were valued at \$193,000,000 and exports at \$34,500,000.

Trade with Canada remains on a higher level than that with the United States. Imports from the United States in 10 months this year were valued at \$158,333,000 and exports at \$55,000,000.

Rigid control of dollar purchases has reduced imports from the United States from \$254,500,000 in 10 months of 1947 but exports to this market have risen from \$38,125,000.

In 11 months of 1948, the United Kingdom has obtained from Canada 60,500,000 hundred-weight of wheat out of total purchases of 77,500,000 hundred-weight. But this year Australia has sold 14,500,000 hundred-weight to the United Kingdom which received none from this source last year.

Bacon shipments from Canada in 11 months this year totalled 1,814,000 hundred-weight compared with 1,810,000 hundred-weight in the same period last year.

## Truman Won't Return To White House Till 1950

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman won't be able to move back to the White House until 1950, the public buildings administration said Wednesday after its engineers pried around some more in the historic home of Presidents of the United States. Commissioner W. E. Reynolds said new inspections show the foundations are in need of replacement or extensive strengthening.

City building inspector issued a permit to S. S. Kresge Co. Ltd., for construction of a new tar and gravel roof at 1100 Douglas Street, to cost \$1,200.

William George Potter, who passed through Victoria in October, 1946, as a repat from the Far East, sent Christmas greetings to the people of Victoria in a card received at the mayor's office today.

## New U.S. Congress On Monday To Get St. Lawrence Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—A bill calling for authorization of the long-debated St. Lawrence seaway and power project will be introduced by Representative Clarence Kilburn (Rep. N.Y.) in the new United States Congress Monday.

Kilburn said the measure is identical to one introduced in both the Senate and House of Representatives of the 80th—the last—Congress. It was defeated in the Senate and no action was taken on it by the House.

The legislation, which President Truman has endorsed, will also be reintroduced in the Senate after as many senators as desire are given an opportunity to co-sponsor the bill.

## Weather

Weather synopsis and official forecast issued at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, by the Dominion public weather office at Vancouver, valid until midnight, Friday, Dec. 31.

Synopsis—A very active Pacific storm is sweeping toward the B.C. coast this morning preceded by gale force southeasterly winds and rain. The storm is expected to cross most sections of the coast this afternoon and to be followed by cloudy and showery weather. Snow will spread over the interior this afternoon ahead of the storm. The southwesterly winds following this disturbance are expected to once more keep temperatures above freezing over the coast.

Vancouver and Vicinity—Lower Fraser Valley—Rain, becoming overcast with showers this evening. Cloudy with showers tomorrow. Wind southeasterly 20 decreasing to light tonight. Winds light tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Vancouver airport 35 and 40, Abbotsford 33 and 38.

Victoria and Vicinity—Intermittent rain, becoming cloudy with showers this evening. Cloudy tomorrow. Wind southeasterly 15 increasing to 25 by noon and decreasing to light in evening. Winds southwesterly 15 tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Victoria 35 and 40.

West Coast Vancouver Island—Rain, becoming cloudy with showers by this evening. Cloudy with showers tonight and tomorrow. Winds southeasterly 45 shifting and decreasing to southwesterly 25 late this afternoon. Winds southerly 15 tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high tomorrow at Estevan 35 and 40.

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Toronto	31	39	.29
North Bay	2	30	.36
Port Arthur	12	20	
Kenora	2	13	
Winnipeg	5	12	
Brandon	9	21	
The Pas	19	25	.17
Regina	12	26	Trace
Saskatoon	17	26	Trace
Prince Albert	19	24	.03
North Battleford	12	25	
Swift Current	17	30	.01
Medicine Hat	21	38	.12
Lethbridge	22	35	
Calgary	6	35	
Edmonton	8	29	
Kamloops	21	31	
Penikese	21	29	
Vancouver	34	42	.06
Cransbrook	4	23	.17
Creston Valley	19	27	.32
Prince Rupert	30	36	.15
Seattle	25	29	.30
Portland	35	43	.29
Los Angeles	35	38	.26
San Francisco	42	48	
New York	49	66	.50
Spokane	16	32	.50
Whitehorse	5	23	

About \$150 worth of damage was done to a car driven by Nicholas Alexander, 1221 Taunton Road, and about \$40 damage to a car driven by A. Crowe, 280 Palliser Avenue, View Royal, when they met in collision at Skinner and Russell Streets at 11:45 Wednesday night, city police report.

## Better Conditions Assured For Air-Lift Mechanics

BURTONWOOD, Lancs, Eng. (AP)—Gripes from U.S. soldiers at this big aircraft depot won today a firm promise of better living conditions soon.

United States Air Force officials here disclosed that Air Secretary Symington before leaving for Washington Wednesday night, had allocated an extra \$700,000 to make that promise good.

With it went Symington's blunt declaration that he will be back in late February to see that conditions have improved—"and I expect you," he told air officials here, "to back me up."

Behind the promise was the story of Symington's arrival here, where air force mechanics work night and day to keep the Berlin airlift planes flying.

He found a base restless, with bad morale, with grumbling which threatened efficiency in repairing and overhauling the transport planes.

Symington acted promptly and called a meeting of the men. He asked them, in effect: "What goes for me, let me know your woes."

He told them to write down their complaints—anonymous if they chose.

They did.

A bushel basket of them. They followed a pattern familiar to Canadians who served in England during the war.

Nor enough heat in the Nissen huts in which they are sheltered. No carpet or matting on the cement floors. Too little light to read by night. Filthy sanitation.

## Snow Removal Costs New York \$1,873,070

NEW YORK (AP)—It cost \$96,055 an inch to dig New York City out of the 19.6-inch snowfall that hit Manhattan Dec. 19. Sanitation commissioner William J. Powell said the total cost of the storm to the city was \$1,873,070 to date.

## Italian Historian Dies

ROME (AP)—Guido de Ruggero, 60, Italian historian and philosopher, died Wednesday. He was vice-president of the Italian delegation to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

tion. Bad cooking in some cases.

Symington rounded up U.S. officials in Britain and laid down his instructions for a quick remedy.

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## MORE BOAT ROCKING

SATURDAY NIGHT, A PUBLICATION which appears in Toronto each week, published an article in its December 25 issue under the by-line of Glenn McDougall. The argument the writer advanced is that the political marriage in British Columbia is holding only "shakily."

We do not know how familiar Mr. McDougall is with the political situation in this part of the Dominion. One or two of his observations, however, merit consideration. When we say this, on the other hand, we do so with certain reservations. For example, while admitting that from the time of the birth of the Coalition administration in 1941 this great province of British Columbia has "received good government," the writer of the article in question pontificates as follows:

As long as Mr. Hart was at the helm, things went well within the Coalition. His right to leadership was unchallenged by any member of the government. The present premier, Mr. Johnson, finds himself in a less secure position. The effort of Mr. Drew to build up Progressive Conservative strength across the country is also playing a part in upsetting the Coalition applecart. Mr. Drew has indicated that his B.C. followers are not altogether happy with the Coalition. It might be pointed out it is not to his advantage to have the B.C. Progressive Conservative party submerged in a predominantly Liberal government. National party organization in B.C. is bound to suffer under such an arrangement. The future of the Coalition, despite the recent pronouncements of Premier Johnson and Mr. Anscomb, remains uncertain. Sooner or later the two parties will reach the crossroads and will have to make a decision.

None will question Mr. McDougall's contention that when Mr. Hart led the government—and his administration earned many commendations from all and sundry, regardless of political affiliations, throughout the Dominion—it was no secret to even amateur economists that some aspects of the surpluses to which he alluded in his last three budgets were in the main of a more or less theoretical character. Nothing in the foregoing should be considered as a criticism of the policies of the provincial Department of Finance over which the ex-Premier presided for so long. At the same time, when Mr. Johnson, whom Mr. McDougall suggests "finds himself in a less secure position" than his predecessor, found it both desirable and necessary to explain to the people of British Columbia a state of affairs of which he rightly knew the people of the province would desire to be informed, he did so. He made no bones about the fact that the provincial ledger was not balancing. It was a courageous but honest confession for him to make to the people and to their elected representatives. And if ever there was a time when Canadians required this type of statesmanship, surely it is now—when the future of this and other parts of Canada must depend for their economic stability upon complete honesty of purpose.

In Mr. McDougall's references to the parochial swordplay between some of the leaders of Liberal and Progressive Conservative thought in Victoria, however, he merely begs the question. And when the author of the article in Saturday Night tries to link the retirement from the B.C. leadership of Mr. Hart a trifle more than a year ago with the emergence of Mr. George Drew as the leader of the National Progressive Conservative Party he is merely doing what other rockers of British Columbia's Coalition boat have been doing recently.

Attempting to make political mountains out of political molehills at this stage of Canada's progress serves none but those elements in Canadian life that are prone to take their inspiration and instruction from individuals whose philosophy is based largely on extremism.

On numerous occasions, of course, the government over which able and sincere Premier Johnson presides has been the object of criticism merely because it has the support of an electorate which fails to detect any fundamental difference between a provincial Liberal and a provincial Progressive Conservative. So we say without equivocation that so long as the present arrangement continues in this province, so long will both political and economic stability prevail.

## THE COMPETITIVE ELEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE HALIFAX Herald and Mail, morning and afternoon newspapers published by Senator W. H. Dennis, and the Halifax Chronicle and Star, the rival publications of Hon. F. B. McCurdy, will amalgamate on Jan. 1 into one morning and one afternoon paper, will have caused a considerable degree of amazement in news circles across Canada. Few who have watched the unceasing competition between the two establishments—the Conservative Herald and Mail and the Liberal Chronicle and Star—would have surmised that even economic stringency (the asserted reason for the step), could have reconciled the proprietors to such a proposal. A new chapter in the long—by Canadian standards—story of Nova Scotia journalism is being written. The merger of the 124-year-old Chronicle and the 72-year-old publication of Sen. Dennis comes at a time when it may indicate a new trend among Canadian newspapers.

It was only a short time ago that the purchase of the Toronto Telegram by Mr.

George McCullagh, proprietor of the Toronto Globe and Mail, was announced. The latter paper itself was the product of an earlier merger, between the Globe and the Toronto Mail and Empire. Although the Telegram will continue to operate as a separate entity, the two papers are now under one management, with all that that implies. Another recent purchase which may carry significance was that in which the Southam chain of newspapers added the Medicine Hat News to its group, which already included publications in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Hamilton and Ottawa. The Sifton group of papers includes representatives in Saskatoon, Regina, and Winnipeg, while Mr. R. H. Thomson operates a chain in several of the smaller Ontario cities.

It is Canada's proud boast—and good fortune—that her high standards of journalism have been maintained in the past. But it should not be forgotten that they have their origin and inspiration in the give-and-take of fairly-conducted rivalry. The amalgamation in Halifax—a process, it may be noted, that has taken place more than once in the neighboring city of St. John, N.B.—leaves that sizeable community with but one outlet of journalistic expression. Such a monopoly imposes on the publisher a responsibility that demands a high degree of citizenship and morality, for it is a difficult—and doubtful—matter to replace free and open competition as the life blood of a free press.

## NOT JUST ORATORY

WITH THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED by Boy Parliamentarians at their current sessions here, most adults will agree. The senior members of the community, moreover, will not discount the value of the ideas which are circulated during such gatherings. Right thinking is a fundamental of right living, and if it can be promoted among our youths and young men by this means, so much the better.

The thought does occur, however, that the position of these representatives of church, groups and kindred societies could be made stronger if they shelved any inclination to unnecessary modesty and stated exactly what they do in a constructive way for the younger generation in this province. This suggestion is prompted by the example of the students of Victoria High School who have gone beyond words into action to assist in raising funds for the Memorial Stadium at Fernwood Road. In a very definite way these teen-agers have made a contribution to the community, providing facilities for healthy recreation and dedicating their efforts to the memory of those former students who offered their lives in defence of the country.

No effort is made here to detract from the useful experience the Boy Parliamentarians receive in formal legislative procedure through the sessions held here. Nor is there any inclination to ignore the substantial inspiration to moral and spiritual living which is furnished through the discussions. But if the young men—boys of sound mental and physical health—could use this gathering to detail some of the projects they have undertaken of a material nature for their various communities, the information provided in reports would make encouraging reading. Far be it from us to discourage good talk or the expressions of different points of view. But words by themselves are of questionable value. When they are translated into action they attain real meaning. And a Boy's Parliament, if it is to be a boys' parliament, should be productive of something more than oratorical practice, valuable as that may be.

## ON THE ICE CAP

THOSE WHO HAVE TRAVELED AND suffered vicarious hardships through the medium of books with the heroes of exploration of past days—Scott, Amundsen, Peary, Shackleton and their fellows—will have been inclined to read with a certain amount of disdain of the adventures of a group of airmen who have been rescued from a Greenland ice cap. Let it be said at once, of course, that being downed on an ice cap in Greenland for three weeks during December is not our idea of a school picnic. But the way in which the rescued fliers describe their plight makes it seem like a very tame affair, ranking lower in discomfort than a week-end spent under canvas at a summer camp.

As they tell it, the 12 men lived comfortably in a three-room snowhouse. They enjoyed portable heaters and electric lights dropped to them by plane. They ate well, losing only a little weight throughout the " ordeal"; they disported themselves taking pictures of each other for souvenirs, and finally, they talked to their wives by portable radio on Christmas Day.

What a far cry this is from the days when those intrepid, bearded explorers mushed off into a whirling snowstorm and were not heard from for months—if ever! What a difference from the agony of blizzards, the backbreaking labor over snow fields and ice flows, sharing food with the dogs (and sometimes sharing the dogs), and generally suffering a dozen brands of torture to achieve their particular objective! Would not these veterans have scoffed at electric lights, portable radios and table delicacies dropped by air? Do not some turn in their graves for what civilization and science are doing to their beloved north? The books of Arctic and Antarctic adventure that thrilled us by our warm fireside in past years must now give way to mundane accounts of pictures taken, broadcasts heard, and delicious food eaten. Such may be progress, but we much preferred the old suffering—by our fireside, that is.

Some day we'll all have sense enough not to measure wages in dollars but in the quantity of groceries they will buy.

## At Foggy Bottom

By STEWART ALSOP From Washington

THERE IS NOW at least a chance that something will actually be done to bring order out of the chaos in which the State Department operates, although every previous such attempt has failed abysmally since the days of John Adams. A Hoover commission subcommittee, in a yet unpublished report, has recommended a long overdue and far-reaching reorganization of the department. And perhaps this time some sort of action will result.

The basic problem which the report boldly attacks is that of responsibility and authority. As things now stand, there are just four men in the State Department with the authority to act on American foreign policy in any of its aspects and in any part of the world. These are the secretary, the undersecretary, the counselor and the chief planning officer.

AT PRESENT, all four of these officers, George C. Marshall, Robert A. Lovett, Charles E. Bohlen and George Kennan, are men of great ability and energy. But they are badly overburdened. And this concentration of authority in so few hands has led to a sort of paralysis in the lower ranks.

One consequence is that, in order to spread responsibility where no individual can take final decisions, a grotesque committee system, fantastically time-consuming, has developed. (One wag has suggested that the theme song of Foggy Bottom, as the State Department is not very affectionately known, should be "Set Up Another Committee," sung to the tune of "Give Us Another Old Fashioned.") This committee system has inevitably led to a tendency to shove all but the most absolutely inescapable decisions under the rug, in the same way that a lazy man puts off answering a letter until it is no longer necessary to answer it.

THE HOOVER subcommittee, headed by Harvey Bundy and James Grafton Rogers, has attacked this messy situation from two different directions. In the first place, they suggest that the load at the top be spread. They recommend the appointment of two additional deputy undersecretaries, one with responsibility for "high-level operational policy"—in other words to take the important day-to-day policy decisions—and one to take over all responsibility for the dull but necessary routine of administering the department.

Moreover, the report recommends a new assistant secretary to deal with Congress (a vitally important job now assigned to Counselor Bohlen as one of his innumerable duties) and an assistant secretary to deal with the general public.

BUT THE MOST striking recommendation calls for four new "regional" assistant secretaries, and one assistant secretary for "multilateral affairs." Within broad limits laid down by the secretary, it would be up to the four regional assistant secretaries to make their own decisions in their own areas—Europe, the Near East and Africa, the Far East and the Western Hemisphere. Meanwhile, the assistant secretary for multilateral affairs would act as a sort of mediator among them, to keep the lines un-crossed.

Thus in each geographic area there would be one man with real authority. Accordingly, the buck-passing committee system, largely designed to avoid or delay the making of decisions, should wither away. Moreover, the top officers should be given what they so desperately need, time to think.

IF THESE recommendations are put into effect, it will be one of those events which are much more important than they seem to be. The way in which the State Department is organized was all very well for a time when the United States could shuffle along comfortably enough with little or no foreign policy. But now, unfortunately, the United States must have a foreign policy, intelligently conceived and decisively carried out, if she is to survive. Some such sweeping reorganization as that recommended by Bundy and Rogers is essential if the State Department is to do its job.

YET THERE IS a further problem, aside from internal reorganization of the department, which obviously has worried the authors of the report, but which they have not successfully attacked. The State Department is the agency of the government charged with making foreign policy. Yet there are vast areas of policy in which the department has either lost or abdicated its authority. One has only to remember the independence with which General Lucius Clay and General Douglas MacArthur operate in Germany and Japan, or the way E.C.A. Administrator Paul Hoffman appeared recently to revise American policy in China, or the serious charges hurled on his own hook by E.C.A. Deputy Howard Bruce at Great Britain, thus infuriating the United States' only dependable ally, to recognize this fact.

AS A CONSEQUENCE, American foreign policy has shown a tendency to go galloping off in several directions at once, which is certainly a dangerous tendency in these times. One of the reasons has been the weakness of the State Department, and the internal strengthening recommended by Bundy and Rogers may help in time to correct the situation. The creation of the National Security Council—and the Bundy-Rogers report recommends more such bodies—has been a step in the right direction. But if American foreign policy is to have the kind of unity and firm over-all direction which the times require, much more remains to be done.

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We must not appear to be beggars.—Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

## High Pressure Salesmanship At The White House



## Self-Help Needed Too

By JAMES THRASHER from New York

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S report to Congress on military aid to Greece was disappointing on two counts. One was the failure of the United Nations to do anything about the help that Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia are giving the Greek Communists. The other was the failure of the Greek army to inflict a final defeat on the guerrillas when it had them on the run.

### HELPED REBELS

The guerrillas were pocketed in the Grammos Mountains last summer and apparently ripe for the final blow. But they escaped into Albania where, according to law and custom, they should have been disarmed and interned. Instead the Albanian government gave asylum and presumably supplies to its fellow Communists until they were ready to re-enter Greece and resume the war.

The U.N. "appealed" to Albania to disarm the guerrillas, since it has no power to enforce an order to that effect. But Albania, backed by the other Balkan governments and Russia, ignored the request. There was nothing for the veto-paralyzed Security

Council to do but let the Communist Balkan alliance go ahead and prolong the civil war.

Even then it might have been possible for the Greek army to liquidate the rebels. For on Sept. 30, the end of the period which the President's report covered, the government's armed forces (including the navy) numbered 168,500 as against an estimated 22,000 in the guerrilla forces.

### BETWEEN THE LINES

But the Communists were not liquidated. And between the lines of the President's moderate diplomatic language one reads a story of a breakdown in Greek military leadership, and a consequent breakdown in Greek morale. In spite of modern equipment and supplies and expert military advice, which have cost the United States \$170,000,000, the Greek command could not or would not use them with the skill and determination necessary to end the war.

Americans are not asked to fight and die in Greece or in China. But Americans are asked to supply the help without which both countries would certainly be

in the hands of the Communists today. It is not too much to ask the governments that are added to help themselves to the best of their ability.

Many have complained that the American government is supporting fascism and reaction in Greece and China. That is unfortunate, but unavoidable. The only alternative is to abandon the people of those countries to communism.

What seems more important now is the attitude and operation of those governments, rather than their political complexion. The fact that Greece has lost an early victory and China has suffered repeated defeats through inefficiency or hesitancy or indifference or worse is of immediate concern.

### HOPE FOR THE BEST

Yet we are unable to do much about it. We cannot abandon these countries to communism. We cannot take active command of their forces or direction of their governments without violating neutrality and risking war. We are caught in the middle. And about the only prospect before us is to spend more millions and hope for the best.

## Problems Of The Ruhr

By PETER EDSON From Washington

A WHOLE potful of problems is mixed up in the matter of what to do about "the Pittsburgh of Germany," otherwise known as the Ruhr. It is a little basin smaller than the state of Rhode Island, tucked in the Rhine valley. Yet it produced 70 per cent of Germany's pre-war coal, coke, steel and chemicals. It was the Nazis' arsenal.

### STILL PRODUCING

It was only half put out of business by strategic bombing, and only a fourth was destroyed beyond repair.

How to make use of these facilities, for peace, is the basic problem. But what this involves is: 1. European recovery under the Marshall Plan. 2. Unification of western Germany. 3. Rebuilding the German economy to make the area self-supporting.

### It Ain't Hay

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When we were very young—and very innocent—football was a game to be played. Played for love. Certainly not for money. Our amateur standing was more precious to us than our best girl—at that age. The only reward we sought was the admiring glances of the girls in the grandstand, and the proud plaudits of our parents.

We realize now that we missed a golden opportunity. But what grips us most now is that nobody ever offered us any money to play football. Not even an athletic scholarship. And it never occurred to us to ask for money. If we had, somebody would have kicked us in the teeth—and we could have taken that, too, we were that tough.

Today the University of Arizona football players have refused to go into the New Year's Salad Bowl game unless they get \$175 apiece. We were born thirty years too soon.

ing the German economy to make the area self-supporting. 4. Possible outbreak of factory dismantling in Germany for reparations payments. 5. Preventing the rebirth of German heavy industry so that the country does not again become a threat to western European union as a safeguard against possible Russian aggression.

It would obviously take a magician to do all these things at once, and that's what seems to be called for.

Ever since the war there has been much big talk about "internationalizing" control of the Ruhr. There was some discussion of making the Ruhr into a separate political state, like tiny Luxembourg, for easier international control. There was another idea that some kind of an international holding company might be set up under the United Nations to run the properties.

### NOT TOO ANXIOUS

The United States was at first not too anxious to get mixed up in running Europe's business. On the other hand, the Russians looked eagerly toward the possibility of getting a big piece of Ruhr production—for reparations if not for keeps.

Three years have changed all that. Now it is recognized that the Russians must not be allowed a voice in Ruhr control. And the United States has realized that if the Marshall Plan recovery program is made to work, the country must have a say in its management.

The problem is viewed in Washington as primarily a matter of management. Looking at the postwar record, it is impossible to find one instance in

which international control of anything has worked efficiently. On the contrary, from Berlin to Korea there is one long list of failures.

For this reason alone, American-British military governors of the German bizon recently approved law number 75, giving temporary management of Ruhr industries back to the Germans.

### THE PLAN

This agreement was made in London last June at a six-power conference in which the United States, Britain, France and the three Benelux countries—Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—took part. A second meeting of these powers was held in London to implement the agreement. The plan is to let the German trustees run the industries until the new German government makes up its mind whether to socialize the industries or return them to private ownership.

## Retaining Its Value

Toronto Globe and Mail  
Christmas could be quite as enjoyable if it were less complicated and burdensome. There is possibly a real danger that the materialistic aspect of the season may cause a revulsion against the human side of the festival, and destroy a beautiful spirit. It would be an utterable pity if this should happen. By keeping closely in mind, however, that Christmas is the celebration of a new hope and joy in human life, and that the goal is others' happiness, not the size and costliness of our gifts, its values may be preserved for another 2,000 years.



By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Associated Press News Analysis  
THE NETHERLANDS finally has acceded to the United Nations' demand that she end hostilities in Indonesia and release the captured members of the Republican cabinet.

However, the compliance is qualified. The cease-fire will be given in Java at midnight Friday but not until a few days later in the neighboring island of Sumatra.

Since the U.N. Security Council ordered cessation of fighting Christmas Eve, eight days will have elapsed before the cease-fire is met in part. Why did the Netherlands government thus lay itself open to a charge of defying the U.N.?

The answer is in part self-evident. The government "got its Dutch up" and decided at all hazards to bring the hostile Indonesian Republic into line for inclusion in the projected united states of Indonesia.

We are told that this will be a federation of the Republic and six other sovereign Indonesian countries. The federation will in due course become part of a world-wide Dutch commonwealth of nations, similar to the British Commonwealth.

### PERTINENT QUESTION

That brings us up against another pertinent question which raises here because it is being flung at me by readers. Is it possible that there is any ulterior motive behind this defiance of the peace organization?

In short, is The Netherlands really bent on establishing a commonwealth of sovereign states or is she trying to hold her rich empire together from selfish motives?

Well, human nature being what it is I think we are safe in saying that The Netherlands must be mighty sorry to see her empire breaking up. Moreover, as I pointed out in a previous column, the evidence at hand would indicate that she intends to safeguard the interests she has built up during 300 years of rule in Indonesia. She also has a responsibility towards the natives, some of whom are primitive people.

### NO INTENTION

But having said that, I believe the evidence indicates The Netherlands really does intend to turn her empire into a commonwealth of free states. Naturally she hopes that such a commonwealth will be one of mutual benefit but she has read the writing on the wall.

That writing says clearly that the days of empires are rapidly drawing to a close. Self-determination is a matter of common sense.



### NEAR SIGHTED

London Sunday Pictorial  
Ex-mannequin Kay Summersby—Eisenhower's chauffeur-secretary during the war—is "astonished" at a London suggestion that a story in her book "Eisenhower Was My Boss," may be untrue.

In the book Kay describes how at Tunis' victory parade she stood at the saluting base next to Montgomery, for whom she had an intense dislike.

But the military correspondent of the Sunday Times says Montgomery was never at the parade but in London.

"I'm astonished," Kay told me cables John Walters from New York. "I remember clearly standing close to an officer whom I felt certain was Montgomery."

### FOR BETTER PUPILS

Toronto Saturday Night  
We have been reading a great many journalistic observations on education, elicited by Education Week. With only one or two exceptions all of these seemed to be based on the idea that education is something which you have done to you, much as you have your teeth extracted by the dentist or your hair made presentable by the "beautician." This is one of the most disastrous errors of our time. It leads to the further idea that everybody who has been subjected to a certain educational process must be an educated person, and to the worse idea that nobody can be an educated person unless he has been subjected to the operations of a certain number of educators.

The real truth is that education is something that one does for oneself. In the doing of one can be considerably assisted by good educators; but who they provide is assistance only, and the main job must still be done by the person who is acquiring the education.



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## New Drug Expected To Permit Doubling Of African Cattle

LONDON (Reuter) — British scientists have found a new drug for cattle which is believed will make Africa the world's biggest meat supplier.

It will prevent or cure the sleeping sickness carried by the dreaded tsetse fly.

Discovery of the drug—anttrycide—was announced Wednesday night by Colonial Undersecretary D. R. Rees-Williams. He described it as "one of the great steps forward of our time—not only for Africa but for the world."

An area of 4,500,000 square miles in Africa, hitherto deadly to man and beast because of sleeping sickness, will be made safe for cattle-raising by anttrycide, a synthetic serum.

In time, Rees-Williams said, anttrycide should be more than double the cattle population of Africa, bringing it to more than 32,000,000 head.

The drug's pioneer, Dr. Francis Curd, was killed in a rail accident last month. He was also the joint discoverer of paludrine, the anti-malaria drug announced in 1945.

Anttrycide has not yet been tested against human sleeping sickness, but this disease is less serious today since drugs are already available to combat it.

The new drug is injected with a hypodermic syringe. The point of the needle has only to pierce the skin. There is no need for the serum to be injected into the bloodstream.

Dr. Cecil Cronshaw, director of the Imperial Chemical Industries, said it was impossible yet to estimate how much it would cost farmers to use anttrycide.

Three tons of anttrycide would cure about 2,000,000 animals. Two or three tons would be produced next year, he said.

Trials in East Africa and the Sudan proved that a single treatment with anttrycide will cure cattle of congolense and vivax, the two worst forms of sleeping sickness.

## Life Insurance Firms Foresee Another Big Year

By FORBES RUDE

Canadian Press Business Editor

Canadians carry about \$13,000,000,000 in life insurance and are second only to the United States in this respect.

Nevertheless only one in three has life insurance of any sort, and those who do, have an average of less than \$3,000 each.

These figures are given in a year-end review by W. M. Anderson, president of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers' Association, who adds:

"It follows that 1949 should be another good year for life insurance."

New insurance this year will total about \$1,500,000,000, approximating the record set last year, and some \$190,000,000 was paid out in policy benefits, setting another record.

In line with present-day tendencies toward higher rates for money, the review envisages a halt to the downward trend of the last 20 years in the returns which insurance companies have been getting from their investments.

It also deals, with qualifying caution, with the possibility of a wider field for investment of insurance company funds, which are limited by law in the manner in which they may be used.

New legislation "has opened up new avenues which were not previously available, such as income-producing real estate, revenue bonds of public bodies and corporate securities."

"... It is anticipated that advantage of the new legislation will be taken but slowly, and that as experience with new classes develops it will be possible to widen the eligible list."

## Shipowners, Sailors Reach Agreement

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal conciliator announced the reaching of an agreement Wednesday night covering all points of a dispute between the Sailors' Union of the Pacific (A.F.L.) and the Pacific American Shipowners' Association.

Federal conciliator Omar Hoskins said the agreement was subject to ratification by the membership of both groups.

Its terms were withheld pending ratification. The sailors had threatened a strike several weeks hence, but had postponed a strike ballot for a week to permit smoother sailing for negotiations.

The S.U.P. was not a participant in the three-months strike by other unions which ended Dec. 6.

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## British Industry Suffers From Manpower Shortage

Written For The Canadian Press By GEORGE ABRAHAMSON

LONDON (CP)—Britain's industrial production continued to increase in 1948 though the manpower needs of essential industries were not fully met and official indices indicated a "flattening out" of the production curve in late summer and fall.

As labor reserves have been virtually exhausted, further gains in output depend on higher productivity through improved organization and the increase in mechanization. With this end in view, the rate of capital investment is being stepped up to £2,000,000,000 (\$8,000,000,000) a year, or 20 per cent of the gross national product.

Rationing and controls were eased only slightly in 1948 but the supply of consumer goods improved appreciably and in many fields caught up with the effective demand at present prices.

The adverse balance of external payments, Britain's chief financial problem at the beginning of the year, was narrowed down from £630,000,000 in 1947 to £140,000,000 in the first half of 1948 and has improved further since.

Wages and prices were kept fairly stable, but the slight decline in wholesale prices failed to reverse the rising trend of the cost of living, though a further substantial rise was avoided. There was no real evidence of "disinflation," the Treasury's avowed aim, apart from a slowing-down of business in less essential trades.

Higher inventories and plant replacement costs forced many commercial firms to ask for bigger bank loans. Bankers' advances and other banking figures therefore increased.

To keep consumer spending down and counter inflationary tendencies, the Treasury budgeted for 1948-49 with a surplus exceeding £300,000,000.

## EXPECT BUDGET SURPLUS

Though food subsidies, the new National Health Service, defence and other items of government expenditure may cost more than anticipated, a substantial budget surplus is still expected for the current year.

Together with European Recovery Plan receipts, it enables the government to cover a growing part of

## Truman Acts On New Foreign Aid Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman acted Wednesday to whip into shape a new, multi-billion-dollar program of foreign aid, designed to promote recovery abroad and strengthen defenses against Communism.

He directed government agencies to provide him promptly with an over-all picture of the proposed spending, including military and economic aid. On the basis of their reports he will lay a program before Congress for action.

## Says Stalin Can Be Rude Or Charming

BURTON WOOD, Lans., Eng. (AP)—Walter Bedell Smith said Wednesday night Prime Minister Stalin has "a charming personality when he chooses to assert it."

But, added the United States ambassador to Russia, he can also be "very rude when he likes."

Smith is en route to Washington from Moscow. He told reporters the last time he saw Stalin was a few months ago and he was "looking very fit and well."

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## Dickers For Soviet Wheat Disturbing Some Britons

LONDON (CP) — British efforts to purchase Russian wheat, and the effect of these negotiations on Anglo-Canadian relations, have stirred discussion in Britain.

The political correspondent of the Conservative Daily Telegraph said the talks with Russia may "disturb Anglo-Canadian relations." He linked the negotiations with Russia with the present Anglo-Canadian discussions on the price Britain is to pay for Canadian wheat in 1949-50, the last year of the four-year agreement.

"It would appear the government is seeking to replace Canadian wheat with imports from Russia," the correspondent added.

The (Conservative) opposition is likely to point out that substitution of Russia for Canada as a source of supply has long-term strategic and political implications which require equal consideration with the dollar problem.

Informed sources told the Canadian Press that wide interest was caused in Britain by the statement of Agriculture Minister J. G. Gardiner of Canada in a speech here Dec. 17 that the Dominion is unable

to trade her surplus fish for British tin plate although tin plate was made available to Russia for Russian fish.

Canada for three years of the agreement has sold wheat to Britain at rates less than world prices. The price during the current year is \$2 a bushel. If no British market is assured after 1949-50, the Dominion is likely to be firm about some compensation being provided by Britain before the contract ends.

On the other hand, the British attitude towards a new agreement with Canada will be influenced by the availability of wheat in non-dollar countries where Britons would like to buy and thus help to even their balance of trade with the dollar countries.

Canada is the United Kingdom's main wheat supplier and purchases of this grain are responsible for Britain's leading dollar expenditure — \$54,250,000 (\$217,000,000) during 10 months of 1948.

Russia is a promising source of non-dollar wheat. In the meantime Britain has offered to buy about 10,000,000 hundredweight (approximately 18,500,000 bushels) of Russian wheat during the next year.

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## Four Receive Names At Christening

Four small principals in a christening ceremony performed at Christ Church Cathedral last Sunday by Rev. S. J. Wickens were William Phillip, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dawes; and three cousins, Joanne Florence, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Peterson of Vancouver; Patricia Rose, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Peterson, 2325 McBride Street; Norman Lloyd, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Russel L. Brown of Vancouver.

Godparents for William Phillip were Mr. and Mrs. L. Ralph, and Mr. Douglas Peterson; and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dawes were godparents for Joanne Florence.

Miss Jessie Stanley, Mrs. Edith Bilsky and Mr. Eric Hutchinson were sponsors for Patricia Rose, and Mrs. Agnes Hubbard, Mr. P. Paine and Mr. Eric Hutchinson were godparents to Norman Lloyd Brown.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Peterson, 204 Superior Street. Mrs. J. M. Thomas proposed a toast for health and happiness of the youngsters, and Mrs. Dawes cut the top tier of her wedding cake.

Those present were G. Newbold, great grandfather of the Peterson babies; Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Thomas, grandparents to Norman Lloyd; Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Brown, grandparents of Norman and Patricia; Mrs. A. Thompson, grandmother of Joanne; Mrs. E. M. Dawes, grandmother of William, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Ralph, Mr. and Mrs. P. Paine, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dawes, Miss Jessie Stanley, Mrs. Edith Bilsky, Messrs. Eric Hutchinson, Garret Brown and Harold Paribby and Roy Peterson.

## St. Michael's Old Boys' Annual Dance

Date of the St. Michael's School Old Boys' Association annual dance at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, is Tuesday, Jan. 4. Reservations may be made with the secretary, E 5767 or G 6050, or any member of the executive committee.

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## Y.P. Societies

**V.I. Presbytery**—Vancouver Island Presbytery Young People's Union will hold a New Year's Eve Frolic at the Sweeney McConnell Building beginning at 9. A committee including Pat Fansett, Alice Wilkinson, Etta Norman and Jack Houston is in charge of arrangements. Refreshments will be served.

## CANNED SALMON A GOOD BUY

Read through the following menu. The main dish is croquettes, based on a half pound can of salmon, all edible. Not a bit is wasted. Even the liquid from the can is used. To be sure the meal is substantial enough, we have used a filling bean soup as the first course, and a deep dish plum pie for dessert.

Keep this timesaver in mind for when you're making a batch of rolled cookies. Roll small amounts of dough between the palms of your hands into one-inch balls. Then place them on a cookie sheet, flatten with the tines of a fork and top with a roasted blanched almond in the centre of each. Bake as usual.

## U.B.C. Graduates To Live In Vancouver



Late December newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Embleton will make their home in Vancouver, where the groom will continue his studies. (Photo by Hill-Tout)

Oak Bay United was decorated with large white chrysanthemums, holly and cedar boughs for the service Monday afternoon uniting in marriage graduates of University of British Columbia, Miss Winona Laird Carruthers, B.A. Sc., and Charles Richard Anthony W. Embleton, B.A.

Immediately following the double ring ceremony solemnized by Rev. W. W. McPherson, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carruthers, "Ealwinha," 1258 St. Patrick Street. Assisting in receiving guests were the parents of the bride, and the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Embleton, 953 Transit Road.

The bride, a graduate of Vancouver General Hospital, and public health nurse at Pentecost, was given in marriage by her father.

Reflecting the glow of lighted candles, was her classic bridal gown of brocade satin completed with a full train. Clouds of misty net billowed floor-length from her wreath of pink roses, and similar blossoms

fashioned the corsage bouquet which topped a prayer book, used by her mother on her wedding day. Traditional, too, was the dainty white handkerchief which was carried by her great-grandmother, on her diamond anniversary.

A gold necklace, gift of her groom, was her sole jewelry. Bridesmaid for her sister, Miss Lorraine Carruthers chose turquoise velvet and heart-shaped hat of matching material for her costume. Her loose bouquet was of harmonizing pink chrysanthemums.

John Oastler crossed from Vancouver to be best man, and ushers were Lieut. James Murray, also of Vancouver, and Paul Parizeau.

While the couple signed the register, Miss Eleanor Johnson sang, "A Prayer," and later at the reception, "Bless This House."

Before the couple left for a motor trip up-island to Yellow Point, Dr. Roger Manning proposed the toast to the bride. For her traveling costume she chose a navy suit with matching accessories and burgundy topcoat.

## Skiing Trip To Celebrate Beginning Of New Year

To welcome the New Year where there is beauty of deep snow and glistening frost sparkling against a background of tall fir trees and to enjoy a week-end of skiing, a group of Victorians will travel up-island to the Forbidden Plateau Lodge on Mt. Beecher. They include Mr. and Mrs. F. Cliff Adams, Lt.-Cmdr. and Mrs. Victor Browne, Lieut. and Mrs. Ian McPhee, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis R. Yool, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lloyd, Miss Vervan Yarrow, Mr. Robert D. Harvey and Mr. J. E. Flanagan.

## Well-Known Victorians Celebrate On New Year's Day

On the occasion of their diamond wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sargent, 2151 Belmont Avenue, will be at home to friends from 3.30 to 6 on Saturday.

## Sub-Debs' Holiday Formal

More than 300 of Victoria's high school and college set gathered in the Crystal Ballroom at the Empress Hotel, last Tuesday evening, where the fourth annual Sub-Deb ball was held under the auspices of the I.O.D.E. Len Acres' orchestra played for dancing from 9 until 1 o'clock, the program featuring many hit parade tunes popular with the school set.

Mrs. H. L. Woolson, chapter regent, acted as hostess for the evening. Mrs. J. L. Ford, regent, Municipal Chapter, was a specially invited guest. The committee assisting Mrs. Woolson was Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. J. B. Speck, Mrs. R. H. Spilsbury, Mrs. J. D. Horne, Mrs. H. A. Robinson, Mrs. G. D. Kendall, Mrs. C. H. Rennie, Miss Joan French and Miss Rachel Choat.

## Tea Hour Hostess Today

Entertaining friends at the tea hour today was Mrs. A. H. Cox, 950 Joan Crescent. Seasonal holiday decorations combined with arrangements of chrysanthemums were chosen by the hostess for her reception room with the holiday motif repeated in the dining-room. Mrs. D. H. Hartness, Mrs. J. W. Ewing, Mrs. G. Mehrose and Mrs. E. P. Gillespie presided at the tea table, while Mrs. J. L. Howard, Mrs. T. W. Walker, Mrs. J. V. Johnson and Miss Mildred Cox assisted the hostess in serving her guests.

## To Live In Virginia

Lieut. M. A. Turner, R.C.N., and Mrs. Turner left Victoria today for Norfolk, Va., where Lieut. Turner, recently communications officer, H.M.C.S. Ontario, will be attached to the United States navy as a communications officer. Mrs. Turner is the former Miss Diana Jenkins, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Jenkins, William Head.

Mr. Ian Simpson, headmaster, Glenlyon School for Boys, with Mrs. Simpson, will be at home, New Year afternoon, at Glenlyon, to all old boys of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kennedy, with their daughters, Betty and Carol, have returned to their Rockland Avenue home after spending the Christmas holidays in Seattle.

Attorney-General Gordon S. Wismer and Mrs. Wismer left Victoria Tuesday afternoon for the United States, on a motor trip to California. They expect to be away about three weeks.

Recent visitors at Forbidden Plateau Lodge, Mt. Beecher, include Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ross, Mr. J. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Girard and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Dore.

Guests here for the wedding of Miss Mary L. Cowley and Mr. Robert Archibald, which took place Tuesday evening, were the bride's brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. James Younk of Bellingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holcomb of Vancouver, with their son and daughter, Douglas and Joy.

Among guests attending the marriage of Miss Florence Margrethe Wilson and Mr. George Alexander Thomson Tuesday evening were Miss Mildred Emery, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Harris and Wendy and Ann, of Youkou; Miss Margery Boulton of Vancouver, and Mr. Herbert Peters, Powell River.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Jenkin, 1262 Oscar Street, entertained young friends of their daughter, Miss Merna Jenkin, at dinner Tuesday. Later in the evening the party attended the Sub-Deb Ball at the Empress Hotel. Guests were Misses Alice Moses, Evelyn Knott, Sheila Hicks, Vera Stanley and Messrs. Miles Dighton, Ed Glover, Alan Emery, Richard Gilbert and Roy Erickson.

Many guests came from Vancouver to attend the marriage of Miss Winona Carruthers and Mr. Tony Embleton, which took place earlier this week. They included Dr. and Mrs. P. V. Akridge, Mrs. Oscar F. Orr, Mrs. Len Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Don Nelson, Miss Eleanor Johnson, Miss Marion Manson, Mr. John Castler, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Harper, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harris.

Mrs. G. W. Pottinger was a tea-hour hostess Wednesday at her home, 1618 Bank Street, to honor her house guest, Miss Kathleen Collins of New Westminster. Pink cones and holly, flanked by lighted red candles formed an attractive Yuletide centerpiece for the lace-covered tea table. Mrs. S. Thompson and Mrs. V. Hawkins poured tea, and Mrs. A. Strugnell and Miss Kathleen Beaman assisted in serving. Other guests were Mesdames H. A. Beckwith, H. L. Smith, G. Van-treight, S. C. Peters, M. Cottet, Colin Martin, K. Clark, E. Evans, R. H. Flint, J. Nicholson, S. Evans, C. Johanson and Miss Ethel James.

## Lilac-Gowned Maids Attend Bride In Traditional Satin

Lovely formal gowns of lilac taffeta worn by a trio of bridal attendants combined with profusions of mauve and white chrysanthemums in standard baskets to form a perfect setting at Victoria Gospel Hall, Tuesday, for satin-gowned bride, Mary Linton Cowley, and her groom Robert Horace Archibald.

H. L. Harris read the nuptial service for the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cowley, 2315 Wark Street, and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Archibald, 66 Howe Street. F. Hall played traditional organ music.

Rose camellias and white streamers knotted with heather topped the bride's satin covered prayer book. The lustre of her triple strand pearl necklace matched that of her white satin gown with yoke of net, slim sleeves pointed over the wrists, and full skirt with bustle detail.

Fine illusion net fashioned her chapel veil held by a coronet of rhinestones and seed pearls. She was given in marriage by her father.

Taffeta-gowned bridal attendants, Miss Velma McLorie, maid of honor, and Misses Lorna Archibald, sister of the groom, and Eleanor Hall wore head-dresses to match their lilac gowns. Fluffy white chrysanthemums fashioned their cascade bouquets.

Guests were ushered to their seats by Leslie Troop and Frank Frewing. Keith Archibald stood with his brother as best man.

Later members of the families and intimate friends were received at the home of the bride's parents.

A hand-crocheted cloth covered the table, centred with the decorated wedding cake, vases of mauve and white mums, and lighted candles. Toast to the bride was proposed by Mr. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald crossed to Vancouver en route to Kamloops, where the groom, who is with the Department of Mines, Provincial Government, has lately been transferred.

Mrs. Archibald wore for traveling, a beige wool topcoat over her forest green crepe frock, smart green hat and accessories and rose camellia corsage bouquet.

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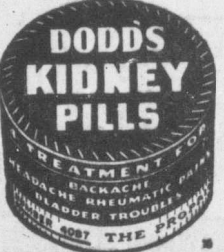
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## ILL-TEMPERED CURE

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## A HAPPY MAN.

Answer: In one of Cable's stories the hero is a little priest, who, when he hears of someone committing a crime, says: "May God forgive you and me for that man's sin." I have always been greatly impressed with that little story, for I think it explains so much of the wrongdoing of so many people. They are not criminals at heart. They are just frustrated, bewildered, hurt men and women who are foolish enough to think that they can cure their own hurt by hurting others.

## BITTER AND SOUR

This is particularly the case in domestic life. A young girl marries a boy with whom she is much in love. Her head is filled with romantic dreams of idyllic love, and she expects to be babied and petted and made much of, and because her husband doesn't do it, but just takes her for granted, she gets bitter and sour and turns into a shrew, because she wants to hurt him as badly as he has hurt her.

And the husband retaliates by finding fault with her and neglecting her, and the marriage goes on the rocks. But it could have been saved if either one had tried to find out what was really at the bottom of their trouble.

Many a man takes to drink because his wife is such a poor cook that he is half-starved, and many a divorce could be saved if only the dissatisfied husbands and wives would ask themselves, "What am I doing that makes John or Sally so disagreeable to live with?"

Dear Miss Dix: My husband and I have widowed mothers. We would be glad to have them live close to where we do, where they could see us often and we could do everything possible to make them happy and contented. That plan would suit my mother perfectly, but my husband's mother insists on coming to live with us, because she does not wish to live alone and will not let anyone go and live in the house with her. She is quite a rich woman and owns a handsome house.

We have a small home and when we have a guest we have to give up our room and use a studio couch in the living-room. But that makes no difference to mother-in-law, and she says that I am very selfish because I ask her to live close by, but not with us. I am not well and the tension and confusion of being packed together like sardines in a box is making me a nervous wreck.

Should I sacrifice my health and happiness, as well as the happiness of our child, to let my husband's mother have her own way? MRS. R. H.

Answer: I think you would be

## 'House Of Peace'—The Dream Of Few Peace-Loving Women

By SUZANNE NORMAND

On the Place d'Iena in Paris, a few hundred yards from the Palais de Chaillot where the men of the United Nations have been carrying on with their customary disunity, a group of women are waging a difficult but inspiring battle. They are fighting to make a reality of a dream as old as the world itself: to educate people's minds to a true love and desire for peace.

The history of this struggle has been one of many disappointments but it has always been fought with fervor and faith. And now this little group, a couple of dozen men and women of all types and all shades of opinion, have been working for two years laying the ground-work for their project.

Two years ago there was a tiny office where discussions were held and the funds only boasted 3,000 francs. Everything pointed to early defeat for these Utopians. With no money and no quarters, with only the backing of spiritual forces, the question is how to prevent the return of war?

Today, the House of Peace is established, temporarily at least, so well established that it was able to accommodate the reception centre organized by Mme. Seydoux to look after the women delegates to the United Nations Assembly. The Museum of Public Works lent its beautiful rotunda. One of the big stores donated the furniture. A famous maker of electric bulbs provided the lamps. Gradually the memberships came in—there are now several thousand. In the library, Frenchmen and foreigners can obtain any documentation they want on European and World Federalist movements, on economic, legal, social and cultural study centres, in short on all movements whose aim is peace.

## FOUNDER HAS FAITH

Any lingering scepticism dies when one listens to Mme. Noelle Grange, to whom this idea of waging war against war is of overwhelming importance, and who has devoted her life to this work. It requires intelligence and great perseverance. The founder of the House of Peace has both and she also has that faith that moves mountains.

"What we must find," says Mme. Grange, "is a peace cure. War is a cancer and, like a cancer, when it is destroyed in one

silly as well as wrong to give in to your selfish mother-in-law when there is no necessity for doing so. Just tell mother-in-law flat that she will have to get her own home and stay in it, and that's that.

It is such a common thing for old people to wreck a whole family to carry out some whim of their own. I know of one case in which a dictatorial mother kept her son from making a business deal that would put him on Easy Street because she didn't like the way his prospective partner had his hair cut.

Dear Dorothy Dix: What can I do with a husband who doesn't believe in soap and water? We have been married two years now and instead of improving he gets filthier and filthier. He has everything at hand—clean clothes that I put out for him, all sorts of bath facilities—yet he goes about so dirty that it is impossible to go near him. He is a good husband, but he is getting so that I can hardly stand to live with him. What shall I do? MRS. B.

Answer: Turn the hose on him. If that doesn't work, have him fumigated. No woman is called upon to live with an imperfect ablutitioner.

place, reappears somewhere else. We must make people peace-conscious. For it is only the feeling for peace in the minds and heart of men that can combat the evil of war. And that is the aim of our discussions, lectures and pamphlets."

She told us about the peace meetings held in Paris in November, inaugurated by a splendid concert given by the international orchestra of the House of Peace—92 musicians, all enthusiastic for the cause.

But we could not help bringing up the failure of the League of Nations and the ever-increasing difficulties of the United Nations, rich though it is in material means.

"That is just the point," said Mme. Grange. "It is too rich. The League of Nations and the United Nations started at the top; we are starting at the bottom. We showed a little seed and now we have a plant. If the plant becomes a tree it will prove we were right. If it does not, then we can hold no more hope for mankind."

But Mme. Grange continues to hope. She believes there should be something better for men than killing one another off periodically and destroying the fruits of their labors, the conquests of their minds, the expressions of their genius through wars which could be avoided if one really wanted to eliminate their causes.

That is why all nations must be included in her movement. No nation should remain outside. But France, she believes, is the ideal cradle for nurturing the hope. The country which gave rise to the cathedrals will one day produce the true House of Peace.

The great architect Auguste Perret has drawn the plans for the House which is not to be a sumptuous palace but a house for the people. In the meantime, Mme. Grange dreams of getting the temporary rotunda built on the Trocadero Place for the United Nations personnel.

We objected that a statue of Marshal Foch was destined for that spot but she smiled and said the two were not incompatible, for it was Marshal Foch who said: "Above war there is peace." And she added, whimsically: "Why shouldn't I dream? Dreams are never too big since they can never be fully realized."

## SALMON CROQUETTES

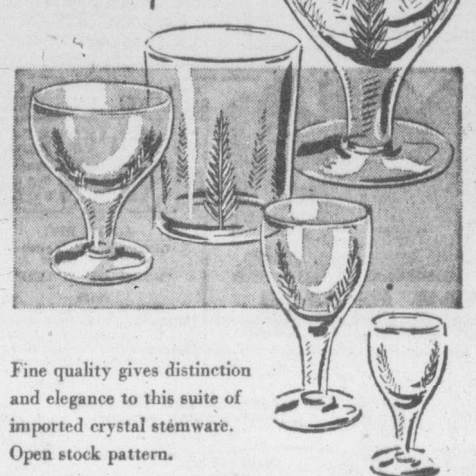
Open ½ lb. can salmon; drain off and reserve the juice. Mince or put the fish through the medium-sized blade of the chopper. Add ¼ cup cooked rice, ¼ cup salmon-white sauce, ¼ teaspoon tabasco sauce, ½ tablespoon lemon juice and ½ teaspoon salt. The mixture will be quite soft. Cool, and shape into balls containing 1 tablespoon each. Dust with flour, then roll in 1 egg white (or 4 tablespoons dry skim milk), beaten with ¼ cup cold water. Roll in fine dry bread crumbs. Fry in fat at least 3 in.

deep, pre-heated until it will brown a bit of bread in 40 seconds.

Salmon White Sauce: Turn the liquid from the can of salmon into a measuring cup. Add enough milk to make ¼ cup. Melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine. Stir in 6 tablespoons flour, ¼ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper and ½ tablespoon lemon juice if convenient. Gradually stir in the milk. Be sure the sauce thickens with each addition of liquid before adding more. Bring to boiling point; when bubbling hard all over, use as directed.

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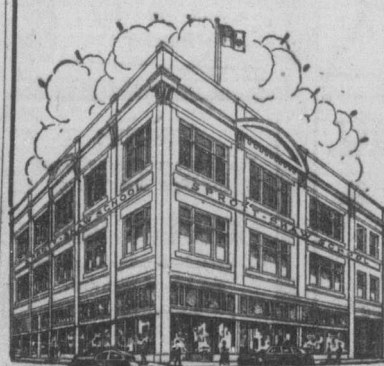
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### ODEON THEATRE

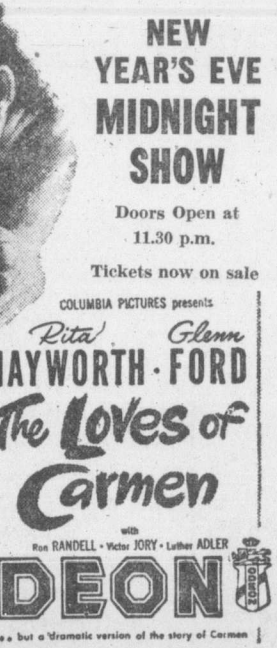
Larry Parks, who stars as a daredevil swordsman in Columbia's swashbuckling Cinecolor romance, "The Gallant Blade," co-starring Marguerite Chapman at the Odeon Theatre, is a "daredevil" in real life, too. He's an ardent motorcycle enthusiast and competes in some of the sport's gruelling grinds.



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CAPITOL—"When My Baby Smiles at Me," starring Betty Grable and Dan Dailey.

DOMINION—Frank Buck's "Bring 'Em Back Alive."

OAK BAY—"The Best Years of Our Lives," starring Fredric March and Myrna Loy.

ODEON—Larry Parks and Marguerite Chapman in "The Gallant Blade."

PLAZA—"Blondie's Secret," starring Penny Singleton.

ROYAL—"Bob Hope and Jane Russell in 'The Paleface.'"

YORK INTERNATIONAL—Charles Dickens' "Scrooge."

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## Hollywood Stars Sometimes Bright, Reporter Finds

By BOB THOMAS  
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—In the course of a year, a Hollywood reporter hears much talk and reads about plenty more. The vast majority of it is trivia, not likely to live past today's edition. But out of the sound and fury come a few outstanding quotes that stick in your memory. Here are a few:

Esther Williams, on the new scanty bathing suits: "Why, they come off in the water. If you can't swim in them, what good are they?"

Bette Davis, on censorship: "The public is screaming for something censorable. Sex doesn't have to be dirty."

Errol Flynn: "The heroes I play are generally idiots."

Lana Turner, quoted as she arrived in England with 18 cases of belongings: "I'm just a poor American girl and I just bought a few things to come over here with."

Charles Laughton: "Film actors are the most humble people on earth."

Alexis Smith, on getting a dance-hall girl role: "For seven years I've played society parts and begged for a role with guts. Now I've got my wish and I'll probably spend the next seven wishing to get back into clothes."

Bob Hope's wire to President Truman the day after election: "Unpack!"

And I hope you won't mind adding my best quote of the year: Best wishes for a happy, prosperous and peaceful 1949.

## 'Beyond Glory' Absorbing Drama

There's a new Alan Ladd in Paramount's "Beyond Glory," a Ladd faced with situations out of which even he cannot slug his way, loving in a manner radically different from his he-man-handling style of old.

Yet, in the gripping romantic drama which opened today at the Atlas Theatre, Ladd solves the conflict which rages within him with all the emotional impact and suspenseful action contained in his former slam-bang thrillers.

For this Ladd reaches new heights of acting greatness in a film unusual in theme, stirring in content.

### DOMINION THEATRE

Sakai women in the act of bathing in a Malayan pool are shown in the original "Bring 'Em Back Alive," Frank Buck's vivid screen portrayal of his wild animal collecting adventures, now being shown at the Dominion Theatre. The activities of the peaceful natives are in great contrast to those of the wild animals filmed in ferocious combats with each other in their native haunts.

CAPITOL THEATRE  
Hollywood's latest title has fallen to Arlene Dahl, M-G-M's red-haired beauty, who plays Red Skelton's leading lady in "A Southern Yankee," current attraction at the Capitol Theatre. She was named "The Outdoor Girl With Whom We'd Most Like To Be Indoors" by a bevy of males who are considered experts on outdoor beauty. They're the lifeguards on southern California's beaches.

OAK BAY THEATRE  
Samuel Goldwyn's "The Best Years of Our Lives" returns to the Oak Bay Theatre today. The longest picture since "Gone With the Wind" will be shown in its entire three-hour length.

In addition to winning nine Academy Awards for the first time in history, the Goldwyn production, released by RKO, was awarded honors by every major critical group in France, England, Canada, Brazil and Belgium.

C.C.F. Man Condemns Netherlands Govt.  
OTTAWA (CP)—David Lewis, C.C.F. national secretary, said Wednesday night the entire democratic world should condemn the Netherlands government for imposing its domination "on millions of Asiatic people" in Indonesia.

"Nothing that the Netherlands government has so far brought forward can alter the simple fact it is attempting to impose its rule over millions of people by act of war and against their will," Mr. Lewis said in a speech delivered before the Co-operative Commonwealth University Federation, in convention here.

AUSTRALIAN TOUR  
THE HAGUE (Ruter)—Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, winner of four Olympic gold medals, will leave London for Australia Jan. 3. The Netherlands champion has been invited by the New South Wales Athletic Union to take part in a number of Australian events.

## Bridge

### FOLLOW THIS RULE: COUNT YOUR TRICKS

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY  
America's Card Authority

The most complicated hands often can be made by following the simple rule, count your tricks. Charles J. Solomon of Philadelphia, one of the country's greatest card players, gave today's hand a long study before he started to play it.

When the hand was over, I said, "Charlie, what were you thinking about for so long?"

"I was counting my tricks," he replied. "I could trump three hearts in dummy, cash the ace and king of diamonds and the ace and king of clubs. That would give me seven tricks. So I had to get in three of the trumps in my own hand."

There are many lines of defence on this hand, but proper play produces 10 tricks.

Solomon (North) trumped the opening heart lead in dummy, cashed the ace and king of clubs and led the queen of clubs. West trumped this with the jack of spades, whereupon Solomon discarded the six of diamonds.

West continued another heart, which dummy trumped with the ten of spades. Now the ace and king of diamonds were cashed and a diamond trumped in the North hand with the five of

Solomon		K 965		Q 42	
A 10763		W 853		J 52	
A 86		J 52		1072	
A 8		A 103		None	
J 87		K 1073		K Q J 965	
A K Q 9		None		Tournament—Neither vul.	
Q 94		K Q J 965		South West North East	
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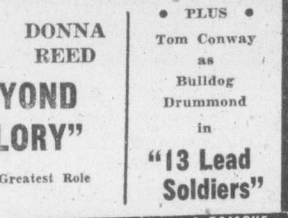
spades. Another heart was trumped in dummy with the ace of spades, and the high club was led.

West trumped this with the seven of spades, Solomon overtrumped with the nine and East overtrumped with the queen.

Now it was impossible for East and West to keep declarer from making the king and six of spades. He made three spades, the ace of diamonds and ace of clubs in his own hand, and three spades, the king of diamonds and king of clubs in dummy, which adds up to 10 tricks.



ALAN LADD DONNA REED  
**"BEYOND GLORY"**  
Ladd's Greatest Role  
FOR 3 DAYS  
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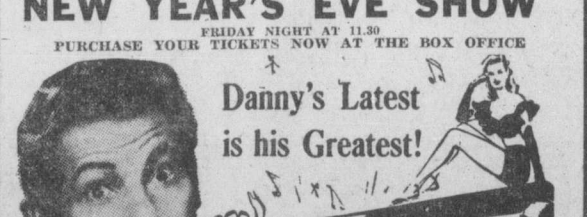
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Tom Conway  
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Drummond  
in  
**"13 Lead Soldiers"**  
A FAMOUS PLAYERS THEATRE



BETTY GRABLE DAN DAILEY  
**"When My Baby Smiles at Me"**  
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**"BRING 'EM BACK ALIVE"**  
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AT 12.16 1.21 1.21  
2.40 3.65 3.65  
5.04 6.19 6.19  
7.25 8.43 8.43  
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**30**  
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## Canadian Issues Higher

NEW YORK (AP)—Early support for stocks faded away today and the market slowly tipped downward. Losses ranged up to a point for key issues but there was still a substantial number of plus signs. For a while it seemed likely that a year-end rally, on which Wall Street has been betting for days, might get underway. The market moved upward at a smart clip yesterday and the direction was forward today after a slight hesitancy.

Canadian issues were higher. Hiram Walker added 1/4. McIntyre was up 1/4. Dome Mines gained 1/4.

Dow Jones closing averages:  
30 Industrials 177.92, up .34  
20 rails 53.12, off .27  
15 utilities 53.59, up .37  
65 stocks 64.70, up .11  
Total sales, 1,850,000.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Closing Bid	Asked
Allied Chemicals	181
American Can	81-8
American Tobacco	54-6
American Smelter	54-6
American Tel. and Tel.	54-6
Anacostia Copper	30-1
Atchafalaya	30-1
B. and O. Railway	30-1
Bethlehem Steel	30-1
Canadian Pacific Railway	30-1
C. and O. Railway	30-1
Chrysler	30-1
Com. Edison	30-1
Commonwealth and Southern	30-1
Du Pont	30-1
Eastman Kodak	30-1
General Electric	30-1
General Motors	30-1
Goodyear Tire	30-1
Great Northern	30-1
Inter. Harvester	30-1
Inter. Nickel	30-1
John-Manville	30-1
Kennecott Copper	30-1
Lowell's	30-1
New York Central	30-1
Norfolk and Western	30-1
Pan American Airways	30-1
Pennsylvania Railroad	30-1
Procter & Gamble	30-1
Republic Steel	30-1
Schenley Distillers	30-1
Standard Oil California	30-1
Standard Oil New Jersey	30-1
Seaboard	30-1
Sococo Vancouver	30-1
Southern Pacific	30-1
Southern Railway Edison	30-1
Southern Railway	30-1
Texas Corp.	30-1
Union Carbide	30-1
United Aircraft	30-1
Westinghouse Electric	30-1
Woolworth	30-1

## London Market

LONDON (Reuters)—Prices on the London Stock Exchange remain quiet today as the three-week period of trading draws to a close. Trading consists mainly of leveling-up operations and routine orders. A firm lead was given to markets today by gains of 1/4 in gold-mining long-dated stocks. Textile issues made small gains. Hopes of increased freight rates brought buyers of Canadian Pacific common. The price was firm at 24 1/2. News of an intended £1,750,000 issue by the new Pioneer Company depressed South African mining. Cash is to be used to develop Rhodesia area. Closing quotes: Babcock & Wilcox 74 3/4, B. and O. 30 1/4, Canadian Pacific 30 1/4, Consolidated Goldfields 8 1/4, Courtauld 1 1/4, Hudson's Bay Co. 80 1/4, Imperial Chemical 4 1/4, Metal Box 10 1/4, 4 1/4, Mexican Eagle 14 1/4, Rand Mines 98 1/4. Bonds: British 2 1/2 Consols 17 1/2-18, British 3 1/2 War Loan 110 1/2-111, British Funding 110 1/2-111 1/2.

## City Egg Prices

The following egg prices are now in effect:  
To producer—42 1/2  
Grade A large—41 1/2  
Grade A medium—41 1/2  
Grade B—40 1/2  
Pullets—39 1/2  
Wholesale price to retailers—40 1/2  
Grade A large—40 1/2  
Grade A medium—40 1/2  
Pullets—39 1/2  
Grade B—38 1/2  
Pullets—37 1/2

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Mr. G. BAIRD,  
Regional Manager of Real Estate,  
Canadian National Railways,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

## International Power On Sharp Upswing

MONTREAL (CP)—Industrials were only up a point in light trading on the Montreal Stock Exchange Thursday. Golds and base metals also showed a stronger tone on narrow advance and western oils weakened from strong opening prices.

International Power started on a sharp upswing adding 3 points to 51 as Price and Canadian Vickers rose 1 1/2, while Canada Cement, Seagrams, Powell River, Brazilian and McColl gained 1/4 each. Argus, Montreal Locomotive, Atlas, International Paper, Consolidated Paper, C.P.R. and International Petroleum each added the minimum fraction.

Montreal averages:  
20 Industrials 131.10, up 1.40  
10 utilities 75.50, unchanged  
30 combined 112.00, up 1.00  
15 golds 128.87, off 0.02  
10 papers 340.11, up 4.12  
Total sales, 104,500.

(By James Richardson & Sons Ltd.)

Bid	Asked
Can. Invest. Fund	22 1/2
Can. Bank of Commerce	22 1/2
Bank of Montreal	22 1/2
Bank of Toronto	22 1/2
Bank of Nova Scotia	22 1/2
Bank of New Brunswick	22 1/2
Bank of New South Wales	22 1/2
Bank of New Zealand	22 1/2
Bank of India	22 1/2
Bank of China	22 1/2
Bank of Japan	22 1/2
Bank of Australia	22 1/2
Bank of South Africa	22 1/2
Bank of Argentina	22 1/2
Bank of Brazil	22 1/2
Bank of Chile	22 1/2
Bank of Colombia	22 1/2
Bank of Costa Rica	22 1/2
Bank of Cuba	22 1/2
Bank of Ecuador	22 1/2
Bank of El Salvador	22 1/2
Bank of Guatemala	22 1/2
Bank of Haiti	22 1/2
Bank of Honduras	22 1/2
Bank of Mexico	22 1/2
Bank of Nicaragua	22 1/2
Bank of Panama	22 1/2
Bank of Paraguay	22 1/2
Bank of Peru	22 1/2
Bank of Uruguay	22 1/2
Bank of Venezuela	22 1/2

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A few key base metals were ahead for small gains. Hudson Bay, International Nickel and Smelter were fractionally tighter while Sherritt, Bureka and Golden Manitou slipped.

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20 Industrials 181.14, up 1.33  
20 golds 90.56, up 0.40  
10 base metals 105.72, up 0.51  
15 western oils 56.56, off 0.20  
Total sales, 718,000.

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)

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Aluminum Ltd.	19 1/2
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Aluminum Smelter	19 1/2
Aluminum Refinery	19 1/2
Aluminum Works	19 1/2
Aluminum Plant	19 1/2
Aluminum Mill	19 1/2
Aluminum Foundry	19 1/2
Aluminum Forge	19 1/2
Aluminum Rolling	19 1/2
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Golds moved quietly on narrow advances. A few seniors edged ahead and scattered junior producers were better. Malartic issues showed strength, reflecting mine and mill developments. McIntyre, Lamaque, Wright-Hargreaves were among senior gainers.

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## Reported Missing, Boat Held By Russ

LONDON (Reuters)—A Swedish trawler, the Saima, missing for 10 days, returned to Stockholm Wednesday and reported that she had been boarded and searched by Russian coast guards, the Stockholm radio said.

The Russian authorities charged the Saima's crew with fishing in Russian waters. The captain said the Saima lost her anchor in bad weather and had dropped her reserve anchor nearer the coast when a Russian coast guard ship approached and three men boarded the trawler.

The Saima was taken to a small port near Neukenen, three miles north of Koenigsberg, where 10 men came aboard and searched her.

Two Danish trawlers were also in Neukenen and their crew was under interrogation for 13 days, the statement said.

## Prospects Said Good For Selling Abroad Canadian Fighter

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's first jet fighter will put her two of three years ahead of the Allied world in the long-range two-seater interception fighter field and prospects of selling it in the United States and other foreign markets are good, official sources said Wednesday.

The plane now is being designed to meet Canadian needs at Malton, Ont., and is expected to be tested and produced in 1949.

The sources said Canada made no pretence of leading the Allied world in jet propulsion, except in this one field in which the Dominion was concentrating.

At the same time, an official said it had not yet been decided in negotiations with North American Aviation Co. of Los Angeles where Canada will be able to sell the American F-86, world's fastest jet, which is expected to be turned out at the de Havilland plant in Toronto.

A source close to the cabinet said the fact that Canada will be producing these two jet fighters, one designed specially to meet Canadian needs, the other American, is an event of "tremendous significance" in the country's industrial development.

The day also brought indications that a second U.S. plane slated for Canadian production is a huge Fairchild packet transport capable of carrying such heavy loads as light tanks and trucks. It will be used in supplying northern bases, in getting heavy material in and out. It is not a jet plane.

Negotiations for its production have not yet started, but are expected to proceed when those for the F-86 are completed in a matter of weeks.

An official, referring to Canada's jet interceptor being designed at the A.V. Roe company plant at Malton said there was "a good chance" that it will find U.S. and other foreign markets. It will be a night-fighter and all-weather plane capable of long fighting flights.

## BANK DEPOSITS

OTTAWA (CP)—Dominion government deposits increased \$7,022,000 to \$101,508,000 in the week ended Dec. 29, the Bank of Canada said today in its weekly statement.

Chartered banks deposits increased \$15,595,000 to \$326,473,000 while notes in circulation decreased \$437,000 to \$1,293,270,000.

## If You've Got A BB-Gun \$3 License Is Required



# Lively Debate Marks Final '48 Council Session

## Mayor, Skillings Exchange Words Over Stenographer

A slight flare-up occurred at city council meeting Wednesday afternoon when the civic service committee recommended that a stenographer be employed for work required by the city council, secretary to the aldermen and standing committees and to be assigned to any other work under jurisdiction of the mayor.

"We're back to the old position where a former secretary is being replaced by three men," commented Ald. Waldo Skillings.

"That is not the truth," countered Mayor Percy George.

He referred to the "heavy load" of work which is at present being carried and of the amount of extra work that he himself had to do in the past.

Ald. Ed. Williams moved that decision on the matter be postponed and the recommendation referred to the screening committee.

Application of Angus Holden et al for rezoning of property at the corner of Burnside Road and Delta Street was referred to the town planning commission for report and recommendation, as was application of the Anglican Synod for rezoning of property known as St. Barnabas Church and hall.

Letters from F. Jeffries and Alice Fry for permission to operate a boarding home at 1648 Rockland Avenue was referred to the town planning commission.

### RESIGNATION

City council accepted resignation of John Baxter, alderman-elect, as a member of the Memorial Ice Arena Commission, owing to his election to council for 1949-50.

Ralph Davis resigned his position as assistant water commissioner in order to take up

his duties as commissioner to the Greater Victoria Water District.

Council adopted a recommendation of the parks committee that the city's share of the proceeds from two soccer games at Royal Athletic Park on Dec. 18 and 27, be refunded, with the exception of out-of-pocket expenses, since the games were in aid of the Injured Players' Fund.

Notice of motion was given that the mayor's inaugural address be received Jan. 3 and city council proceed to deal with certain recommendations contained therein.

Council adopted a recommendation of the finance committee that a vis-a-vis system be purchased for \$180. The amount was in the estimates for 1948.

## Roosevelt Incident Closed, Says D.A.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (AP)—The Dutchess County district attorney Wednesday talked to Elliott Roosevelt about the slashed wrist of Roosevelt's actress-wife, Faye Emerson, then declared the matter closed.

"There has been no violation of the law," District Attorney W. Vincent Grady said. He declined further comment.

Roosevelt held a press conference in the courthouse and repeated his statement of yesterday that his blonde wife cut herself accidentally.

## City Screening Committee Draws Aldermanic Fire

Powers of the newly created three-man screening committee came under fire at city council meeting Wednesday afternoon.

In a discussion on the airport question City Solicitor A. J. Patton, one of the screening committee, referred to suggestions that had come to him as a civic official, but did not name the suggestions or give any further information. Since Saanich refused rezoning of the property for an airport, the property is on the city's hands.

### COUNCIL'S PROPERTY

"Who receives special information that is not the public property of this city council?" asked Ald. Waldo Skillings. "To my knowledge, the screening committee at no time was given authority to receive information that was not public property to this council."

The discussion arose from a recommendation of the screening committee that the question of the airport property in Gordon Head be taken up with Dominion government officials with a view to removing the restrictions placed upon it for "airport purposes only," so that the city might deal with it, or alternatively, the Dominion government buy the property.

### ALD. WILLIAMS DIFFERS

"I take a different view of that," said Ald. Ed. Williams as he moved that the matter be referred to the incoming council. Mayor Percy George said he was unaware that the matter was coming up at this meeting and specially requested that such an important matter be left for the incoming council.

### OTHER USES MOOTED

He said that other uses for the property had been mooted to him, but that he had no authority to discuss them.

Ald. Williams who with Mayor George and former Ald. Burges Gadsden negotiated the original purchase of the property from the Dominion government, said that the price was reduced from \$27,000 to \$20,000 and that it was "clearly understood" that the property be used for one purpose and one only.

"If it was not used for an airport it was agreed that it should be handed back to the government," he said. "I can

## Ald. F. N. Cabeldu Honored By Council On His Retirement

Belief that the younger businessman should offer his services to the city was expressed by Ald. F. N. Cabeldu, at city council meeting Wednesday afternoon, when he was presented with a silver tray by Mayor Percy George on behalf of the mayor and council.

Ald. Cabeldu has just completed a term of two years on the council, but was forced to retire owing to pressure of his own business.

"I am thankful that I have been permitted to serve even a short period on council, for I have learned a lot and appreciate the work the mayor and aldermen are doing," he said.

### 'GAINS MORE THAN GIVES'

"He gains more than he gives," Ald. Cabeldu said of any younger businessman who offers his services to the city. "As you all know I was away from my business for six years in the war and then two years partly on council and it has been a big drain on my business."

In making the presentation Mayor George said the city was suffering quite a loss in the voluntary retirement of Ald. Cabeldu. He added that Ald. Cabeldu showed he had the interest of the city at heart and gave yeoman service in the important post of chairman of the water board.

He referred also to the setting up of the Greater Victoria Water Board District and the sale by the city of its distribution system to the district, under guidance of Ald. Cabeldu as chairman of the city's water board committee.

## Alder St. Sewer Now Safe, Council Hears

A storm sewer on Alder Street, about which H. E. Botterell wrote City Council recently stating three children had fallen in, has been made safe and is no longer a danger to children, public works committee reported to City Council meeting Wednesday afternoon.

## Council Approves Public Health Educator Plan

Greater Victoria is to have a public health educator.

City council at its meeting Wednesday afternoon accepted a recommendation of the civic service committee, that a position be created for a public health educator, the position to be under the jurisdiction of the medical health officer and paid out of dominion health grants specified for this purpose.

Dr. J. L. Gayton, medical health officer, union board of health, outlined the duties of the position and said they would include addressing meetings, preparing pamphlets, statistical summaries, radio reports and materials for talks to various groups.

### NO COST TO CITY

"Public health is 50 per cent instruction," he said, adding that it was preferable to obtain someone with teacher training or newspaper experience.

There is no cost to the city in the creation of the post. The salary range is from \$215 to \$265.

Council adopted a recommendation of the civic service committee that Dr. Elizabeth Mahaffy be appointed on three months' probation to the position of assistant medical health officer for the union board of health.

Following Dr. Gayton's remarks on the duties of the public health educator, Ald. H. M. Diggon asked if people could obtain raw milk in Victoria and if the sale of raw milk was prohibited.

Dr. Gayton replied that the only means whereby sale of raw milk could be prohibited was by public referendum.

"Ninety per cent of the milk in the city is pasteurized, but we recognize that the problem is a greater one than is generally reckoned," he said.

## No Report Yet On Plan To Raise Reindeer In Quebec

OTTAWA (CP)—A Resources Department official said Wednesday the department has yet to receive a report on the possibility of raising large numbers of reindeer in the Ungava region of northern Quebec.

He was commenting on a Montreal news dispatch which quoted an unnamed member of the Zoological Society there as saying that plans to turn part of the Ungava area into a reindeer breeding ground had been turned over to the Resources Department.

The official said men had been studying the Ungava possibilities for two years but had yet to make a report on their findings.

The Montreal Zoological Society official also was quoted as saying the idea of breeding reindeer in the Canadian northland for meat purposes is not altogether a pipe dream. He was commenting on a suggestion put forward by Fred A. Medd in London, Eng., that reindeer might be developed in northern Canada to bolster the British meat supply.

The official joined government wild life experts in saying the cost of shipping reindeer meat to London would be prohibitive.

One of the big difficulties was to get Eskimos sufficiently interested in the raising of reindeer herds. When fur prices were high, Eskimos could make more by trapping than they could with reindeer and naturally they took the more remunerative work.

A couple of years ago, the department tried to develop two herds at the mouth of the MacKenzie River. But the two Eskimo owners died in a storm that swept across the north country and the department had to start in anew to train herders.

## \$1,000,000 Damage

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (AP)—A flash fire Wednesday destroyed the Pipe Line Service Corporation factory at nearby Glenwild. Firm officials estimated damages at close to \$1,000,000.

No one was injured. R. D. Copeland, sales representative, said a gas torch failed to light and the fire followed when accumulated gas exploded.

## Kent Claims Restraint Of Trade At Public Hearing On Rezoning

Charges of restraint of trade were made by Ald. M. Aubrey Kent, during the public hearing on the by-law to rezone a lot at the northwest corner of Oak Bay Avenue and Foul Bay Road, from commercial to garage, at city council meeting Wednesday afternoon.

C. N. Montague, only one to appear before council at the hearing, said that he bought lots at the corner of Fort Street and Foul Bay Road, two years ago for the purpose of operating a garage. The property was zoned for garage purposes, but he was refused a license by the Coal and Petroleum Board of B.C. on the grounds that there were suffi-

cient stations in the area, he said.

Council laid the proposed by-law on the table and referred the matter to the zoning committee for consideration and report.

"I am only two blocks away from this property under discussion," Mr. Montague said. "It would be ridiculous to rezone more property in the area for garage purposes, if the Petroleum Board maintains there are sufficient there now."

He submitted his last rejection from the board dated Dec. 7 and said that after each application he had been advised that a license had been recently issued in that vicinity.

Ald. Ed. Williams said: "I can't

see the point, if his property is already zoned. If he has a quarrel with the Petroleum Board that is his quarrel."

"I agree with Mr. Montague," remarked Ald. Waldo Skillings. "As a taxpayer, he should be backed up by his council."

### RESTRAINT OF TRADE

Ald. Kent urged that motion be passed stating the council is against "such restraint of trade," adding "why restrain a gas station any more than a store." He said there was talk of restraint of trade all across Canada and here the government was restraining trade, right in Victoria.

Mr. Montague said he wished to build an independent garage and added that he felt his chances of obtaining a license would be much less, if council rezoned the property in question to allow a garage.

Ald. Williams said that al-

though there were only two blocks between the properties concerned they were long blocks and covered a considerable area. He added that he would like to be able to do something for Mr. Montague but could not see how it was any of the city's business if the Petroleum Board refused a license.

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## Second Crack Found In Army Transport

SEATTLE (AP)—A crack nearly two feet long was discovered in the hull of the army transport Sgt. Charles Mower Wednesday just after it had left port for Alaska.

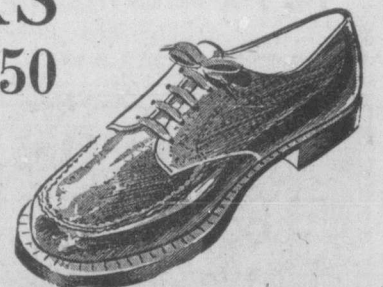
The Mower was making its first voyage since it suffered a nine-foot crack in Whittier, Alaska, a month ago.

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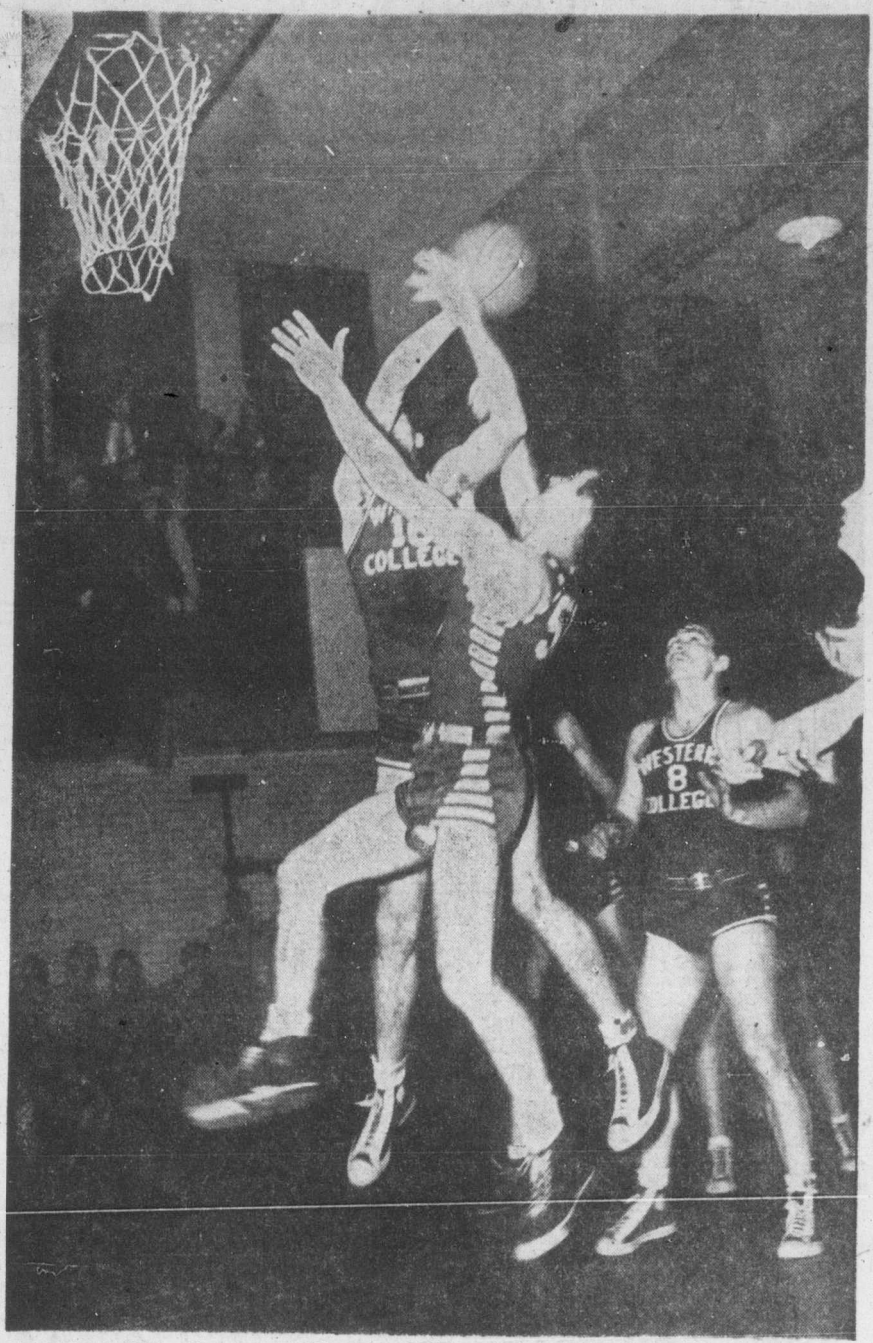
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## Foiled



Reg. Clarkson's field goal attempt is blocked in midair by Dick Ravenhorst of Western Washington in last night's international basketball exhibition at the High School gym. Jack Ross (8) of Washington awaits a possible loose ball.

## Cage Refs Unjustly Criticized By Fans

By J. M.

Post-game mutterings of "too much whistle" heard around Victoria High School gymnasium Wednesday night following Western Washington College of Education's Vikings thrilling two-point win over the Y.M.C.A. were hardly justified.

What many fans failed to realize was that they had just seen one of the type of games that makes basketball the greatest drawing sport in the world. Statistics have shown that teams that follow the run-run style and toss plenty of leather through the hoop are the ones that make the turnstiles click.

Wednesday's international tilt was just that—a real college-type game—accuracy combined with plenty of speed and tricky play. But referees Bob McMurchie and Carl Coates were the target of several uncomplimentary remarks.

In a fast game there is bound to be quite a lot of bodily contact. It makes a difference whether it happens when a man is in the offensive end of the floor, or just doing a little bumping in mid-court where as often as not it doesn't mean much.

### REGULARS SATISFIED

In the main, that small band of regular attendees at the high school gym appeared to be satisfied with the arbiters.

They let plenty go—don't think for a minute that the striped-shirted pair didn't see all those elbows being carried high as players cut around blocks or went up for rebounds—but they were not the variety of foul that would change the course of the game.

The referees let just enough go to enable teams to maintain their speedy pace throughout. The race-horse style game, used by most college teams with plenty of youth and stamina in their lineups, is what will bring the fans back next time when it is combined with accurate, rapid-fire shooting.

McMurchie and Coates—like practically all referees, will readily admit they might have erred on a couple of calls each—but let's take a step backward and view the thing this way—the average isn't bad for 40 minutes of fast hoopla.

## Bob Pickel Will Finish Season With Vancouver Leafs

VANCOUVER (CP)—Bob Pickel, willowy rookie sensation of Vancouver's Clover Leafs basketball squad, will play with his old teammates for the rest of the season—but he wants a job.

Pickel was key man in Tuesday night's 61 to 51 win over University of Western Washington. He recently left Portland University.

As a gangling, awkward youngster on last year's Leafs Pickel was a sensation when they won the national basketball title in Montreal last spring.

In Tuesday night's tilt he was anything but clumsy. His beautiful one-handed shots from the bucket gave his team 23 points, 17 of them in 10 minutes of play.

## New Westminster Signs Dick Warwick

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP)—New Westminster Royals Wednesday signed Dick Warwick, 20-year-old brother of Grant Warwick of the N.H.L.'s Boston Bruins.

Last year Dick played for a Regina junior team. He was signed here on a tryout basis from Nanaimo Clippers of the Pacific Coast senior B circuit.

## Edmonton Flyers In Smashing Win Over Lethbridge

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. (CP)—Edmonton Flyers Wednesday night won their first game on Lethbridge ice in the Western Canada Senior Hockey League, downing Lethbridge Maple Leafs 10 to 5.

Playing a razzle-dazzle style of hockey which had Leafs fooled most of the game, Flyers pierced Leafs defence early, scoring four goals in the first period, three in the second and three in the third.

Leafs rallied early in the second frame to tie the score but before the stanza was over Flyers again took command.

Morey Rimstad and veteran Alex Pringle shared scoring honors for Flyers, accounting for two goals apiece. Other markers were collected by Bernie Bathgate, Andy Clowchuk, Doug Anderson, Elmer Kreller, Billy Maher and Bing Merluk.

## Trail, Kimberley Score Hockey Wins

TRAIL (CP)—Trail Smoke Eaters climbed to within one game of second place in the Western International Hockey League Wednesday night by dropping the runner-up Nelson Maple Leafs 6 to 3.

It was the first victory for the Smoke Eaters in their last seven starts and left the Maple Leafs with three straight losses.

Terry Cavanagh led the Trail sextette with two goals while Don Anderson, Mike Buckna, Jimmy Anderson and Tommy Love notched singles. Roy Allen, Spence Tatchell and Bill Haldane tallied Nelson goals.

At Kimberley the league-leading Spokane Flyers, who this week set a United States amateur hockey record of 20 straight home victories, bowed 6 to 1 to the cellar-dwelling Kimberley Dynamiters.

Buck Kavanagh put Kimberley in the lead late in the first period and the Dynamiters were never headed. Harry Brown and Sully Sullivan added goals in the second period against McBride's Kimberley. In the final session, Kimberley's Tarnow notched two tallies and Coombs got one while Spokane went scoreless.

# 'Y' Cagers Drop Thriller To U.S. Team

## Western Washington Wins In Dying Minutes; Wild Passing Beats Locals

Hoop patrons who dropped into the High School gym last night to see how Doug Peden's Y.M.C.A. squad would stack up against Western Washington College of Education—once victors over Vancouver Clover Leafs—went away saddened by the fact that the "Y" blew a three-point lead in the final two minutes to lose a 63 to 61 thriller but convinced that the local club would give the same Clover Leafs plenty of argument in the B.C. playoffs this spring, if they get by Port Alberni.

The locals, had the game in their hip pocket going into the last two minutes as they enjoyed a 59 to 56 lead. But then the squad fell apart and literally handed the game on a platter to

the visitors by some weird passing and questionable strategy. The College speedsters were quick to take advantage of the "Y" lapse and turned two intercepted passes into game-winning baskets.

Dick Ravenhorst, Western's lanky bucket ace, closed the gap with a free shot then Stan Peterson, a willowy 154-pound forward, dropped in a hoop from side court to knot the count.

### BAD PASSING COSTLY

A wild pass gave Westerns possession seconds later and Jerry Starr made no mistake to give the visitors the lead. Peterson clinched the verdict when Dale committed a foul and Westerns scored from the out of

bounds play. Busher Jackson fired a long one-hander from mid-court to again raise the "Y" hopes but in the last 10 seconds Johnny Clark missed a sitter that rimmed the hoop and fell out and the game ended with Washington in control of the ball.

It was a tough decision for the "Y" team to take as they grabbed the lead in the first quarter at 14 to 10 and stayed in front until half time at 33 to 29.

Western found the range in a hurry as the third quarter opened and before the "Y" could apply the brakes the Collegians had pumped home nine points to go in front 38 to 33.

Three points by Vic Dale and a basket by Clark put the locals in a 39 to 38 lead. Ravenhorst,

Ross and Starr scored in succession but Reg Clarkson and Ralph Baxter put the "Y" two points behind at 46 to 44 entering the final period.

Down four points as Starr scored on the opening play of the fourth quarter, the "Y" rallied to take the lead on baskets by Baxter, Jackson and Clark. Starr, a thorn in the side of the locals all evening knotted the count at 50 to 50.

### LOTS OF ACTION

In the space of the next four minutes the lead changed hands five times before Jackson gave "Y" a three-point edge at 57 to 54. Tom Green and Reg Clarkson matched baskets to set the

stage for the final winning outburst by the Washington squad. High man for the visitors was Starr with 28 points. Stan Peterson and Tom Green were other standout for Westerns while Jackson was probably the pick of the locals along with Dale.

In the preliminary game Brentwood Aces edged Esquimalt 26 to 24 to move to within half a game of the senior B league lead.

Teams and scorers follow: Western Washington—Stephen, T. Green, 6; Norgaard, Scott, 6; Peterson, 12; Ross, 6; Patterson, Oswald, W. Green, 2; Cline, Wicks, Ravenhorst, 12; Starr, 18. Y.M.C.A.—Clark, 15; Dale, 13; V. Clarkson, R. Clarkson, 12; Wright, 2; Goldsmith, Jackson, 11; Lee, Baxter, 4. Esquimalt—Hetherington, 3; McDonald, 4; Lindsay, Dicks, 6; McKenzie, 2; Hatcher, 1; Woodburn, 2; Brown, Giesler, 4. Brentwood—W. Turner, Sluggett, J. Turner, 6; Benn, 3; Cruickshanks, 4; Suter, Farley, 11; W. Benn, 2.

## Leafs-Canucks Scrap For Fourth Position

They're not contesting the National Hockey League leadership—in fact they're fighting over the fourth and last play-off spot—but Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs tonight should help the old year off to a rousing finish.

The two Canadian teams clash again Saturday at Toronto, and the result of this mid-season series could be important when the last vital games are going into the record books.

Detroit Red Wings extended their lead to three points by walloping Boston Bruins 10 to 2 in last night's only game. The Bruins in second place are just a half-game ahead of Chicago Black Hawks, and the latter hold a five-point margin over Montreal. Toronto in fifth place is another point back, with a slim one-game advantage over the last-place New York Rangers.

The Maple Leafs arrived in Montreal today accompanied by Ray Timgren, 21-year-old ace winger of the senior amateur Toronto Marlboros. Timgren scored two goals and an assist as Marlies beat Owen Sound 6

	W.	L.	T.	F.	A.	Pts.
Detroit	16	11	2	95	75	34
Boston	14	11	3	86	79	31
Chicago	13	13	2	90	100	28
Montreal	10	11	5	66	56	25
Toronto	9	12	6	66	78	24
N. York	8	12	6	58	73	22

to 4 last night at Toronto, then he took the Montreal train with the National Hockey League squad.

### TIMGREN TO SIGN

Timgren already has played three games with the Leafs, the limit without a professional contract. Leafs' coach Happy Day said as the team departed that Timgren would play at Montreal, indicating the big blond amateur will put his signature on a professional contract at Montreal today.

In practice Timgren has been on a line with Max Bentley and Ray Ceresino. Leafs have already recalled Ted Sloan and veteran Don Metz from the Pittsburgh farm club. These three will help make up for loss of winger Howie Meeke, who broke a collarbone in practice, and Joe Klukay, out with a fractured foot.

Boston could have taken the lead by beating Detroit last night, but they were victims of one of the worst defeats of the season. Goalie Frank Brimsek made 24 saves, but he was beaten twice by both Doc Couture and rookie Pat Lundy, with the Wings' six other goals coming from Sid Abel, Pete Horek, Marty Pavelich, Red Kelly, Lee Fogolin, and Jim Enio. Only Ed Harrison and Grant Warwick scored for Boston.

The Leafs-Canadiens game is the only clash tonight, while New Year's Eve sees Boston at New York, with all teams engaged Saturday.

First Period—1, Detroit, Couture (Kelly), 4:57; 2, Boston, Harrison, 14:38; 2, Detroit, Abel (Horek, McNab), 15:55. Penalties: McPadden, Fogolin, Egan, Pavelich, Flanagan, Harrison.

Second Period—4, Detroit, Horek (Quackenbush), 3:14; 6, Detroit, Kelly (Abel, Horek), 4:10; 7, Boston, Warwick (Barnard), 12:32; 8, Detroit, Fogolin (Lundy), 19:02. Penalties: Abel, McNab, 15:00.

Third Period—9, Detroit, Couture

## Tony Zale Ready To Hang Up Gloves

CHICAGO (AP)—Tony Zale, former world middle-weight boxing champion, isn't ready to make an immediate announcement of his future ring plans, but there were indications today he is about to retire.

Unofficial announcements yesterday hinted the Gary, Ind., puncher, who is 34 years old—some say 35—is going to call it quits without making a try to regain his

## South Africans Stonewall In Hopes Of Gaining Draw

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter)—Eric Rowan, discarded by the South African selectors for the third cricket test against England, figured today in a second-wicket partnership which greatly increased South Africa's hopes of averting defeat in the second test match.

By stolid defensive methods Rowan (44 not out) and Bruce Mitchell (37 not out) carried South Africa's overnight second-innings total from 28 for one to 89 by lunch.

On a pitch still almost perfect, Rowan and Mitchell—the last one of the best stone-walling batsmen in the world—were rarely troubled by the English attack. The lunch total still left South Africa 204 runs behind England, huge first-innings total of 608 runs, but with the match in its last day English hopes of forcing a decision were fading.

THE SCORECARD	
England, first innings, 608.	
E. Rowan, lbw, b. Beder	44
S. O'Connell, lbw, b. Wright	37
B. Mitchell, b. Glanville	37
D. Nourse, lbw, b. Wright	32
C. Dawson, c. Watkins, b. Jenkins	24
W. Wade, c. Evans, b. Compton	19
C. Watkins, c. Evans, b. Jenkins	12
A. Rowan, b. Wright	8
Tuckett, stpd Evans, b. Watkins	2
N. Marsh, stpd Evans, b. Jenkins	2
C. McCarthy, not out	23
Extras	5
Total	315

BOWLING ANALYSIS					315
	O	M	R	W	
Beder	22	6	42	1	1
Glanville	20	6	29	1	1
Watkins	21.4	3	8	3	3
Wright	36	2	104	3	3
Compton	10	0	34	1	1
Watkins	5	2	5	1	1

Carey's fourth division juvenile soccer team scored a 2 to 1 victory over Fairbridge Farm School in an exhibition match at Heywood Avenue yesterday afternoon. Crabbe scored both goals for Carey's.

Pavelich, 3:02; 10, Detroit, Lundy (Stewart), 9:50; 11, Detroit, Enio, 13:10; 12, Detroit, Lundy (Stewart), 17:37. Penalties: Lundy.

## Betting Handle For Greyhound Races Dips

LONDON (AP)—Pari-mutuel betting at British greyhound race tracks has declined by one-third because of a new tax scheme, the National Greyhound Racing Society said Wednesday.

Instead of going to tote windows on tracks, bettors are wagering with off-the-course bookmakers, the society said. These bookies are not taxed.

A 10 per cent tax was levied on totes at the start of this year and four months later, bookmak-

ers on the track were tapped. Track bookies pay from £6 (\$24) up to £48 (\$192) a night depending on the amount bet with them.

Until this year there had been no taxes on either the tote or the bookies at the dog tracks.

Horse-race bookies are not taxed in Britain and the tote on horse racing is subject only to a special 10 per cent levy that does not go to the government. The proceeds go to a fund for the welfare of the British racing industry.

## Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

CITATION'S popped osselet has gone under the firing iron. This veterinary treatment is as old as antiquity yet I wonder how many people who go to the race tracks have the slightest idea of what it is. This writer had only a rough idea and was questioned so many times what it was that several years ago I asked the well-known British Columbia vet and racing official, Dr. Bill McKeon, to let me watch him perform the operation on a thoroughbred at the Willows. McKeon, by the way, is recognized as one of the best in the business and travels up and down the Pacific Coast to treat ailing stock.

DR. McKEON first of all described osselet trouble in terms that the man on the street can understand. Through the ankle pass and intertwine the nerves, tendons and muscles that hold together the bones connecting the leg and foot. Due to the terrific weight placed on the ankle when a horse is in full stride it is most vulnerable to injury, which is why so many suffer from osselet trouble. Firing, as you may have suspected, is the application of heat by a hot instrument projected under the skin. While the treatment may sound inhumane, it is far from such. The ankle is prepared in the same manner as a patient for an operation.

TRAVELING out to the Willows early one morning I well remember McKeon's preparations for the job. First local anesthetic is applied before a needle-pointed iron is forced under the skin to the seat of the trouble. The needle is heated by electricity. In the majority of cases where an ankle or knee is fired, many holes are drilled with the needle. This sets up a counter-irritation which takes out the original inflammation resulting from a horse striking himself in striding, or twisting a foot. In the case of firing for a bony growth, the heat destroys the growth. A blister, somewhat stronger than used for humans for backaches is applied to the holes.

FIRING has advanced rapidly in recent years. At one time it was a tedious job. The original firing iron was a sharp-pointed steel rod that in the majority of instances was brought to a red heat in the blacksmith's forge. Today the instrument is electric. There have been cases where athletes were permanently cured by the application of a firing iron to a bone injury. Heat applied internally to the ligaments serves to strengthen them in the same fashion that a weld applied to a splintered spot does in a steel beam. Many running horses are fired and for various reasons—bone disorder or continued fever in a leg. Many are fired as yearlings. Alsab and Assault were fired before they were raced.

## English Winner Of Seniors' Golf Play

Posting a net 64, H. O. English captured top honors in the Uplands Seniors' golf tournament at the Uplands course Monday.

Second place was shared by G. H. Bevan and G. E. Goodwin with net 67s followed by E. Williams with 68 and E. G. Johns with 69.

All J.B.A.A. rugby teams will practice at Macdonald Park tonight at 7. Players are asked to attend.

## Longden Rides 317th Winner For New Mark

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP)—That little old veteran of the turf—John Eric Longden—just keeps on rolling along.

The man from Taber, Alta., who last year set a modern record by riding 316 winners, became the first to break that mark yesterday by booting home his 317th first-place steed of the 1948 season.

So now at the age of 38, with no signs of slowing up, Longden has amassed a lifetime total of 3,237 winners. He's the only North American jockey ever to pass the 3,000 mark.

## Eddie Stanky Will Throw Away Crutches

MOBILE, Ala. (AP)—Eddie Stanky, Boston Braves' second baseman, will discard his crutches this week-end.

Eddie was operated on here Dec. 18 for removal of bone fragments from his right ankle. The ankle was broken in a collision in a game last July.

Stanky said his doctor told him yesterday that the ankle "is healing perfectly."

## Warwick, Sid Abel Move Up In Major Hockey Scoring Race

With Chicago Black Hawks inactive last night there could be little change in the National Hockey League scoring race, for the Windy City boys hold a stranglehold on the top positions.

Doug Bentley and Roy Conacher of Chicago still hold down first and second place with 33 and 32 points, respectively. Grant Warwick, Boston sniper, moved into a third-place tie with Jim Conacher of Chicago with 29 as he picked up a goal in Detroit last night. Sid Abel, veteran Red Wing forward, moved into fourth place with 25 points by picking up a goal and an assist.

Leaders follow:	G.	A.	Pts.
D. Bentley, Chicago	33	29	33
R. Conacher, Chicago	32	29	32
Warwick, Boston	29	29	29
Conacher, Chicago	29	29	29
Abel, Detroit	25	25	25
Mosienko, Chicago	22	22	24
Barnardo, Boston	22	22	24
Sandford, Boston	10	14	24

## Not A Single Feud Over Rose Bowl Clash

PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—Here it is only two days away from the Northwestern-California Rose Bowl game and there hasn't been a single major feud stirred up.

The teacher-pupil status of California coach Lynn Waldorf and Northwestern's young Bob Voigts, stemming from Waldorf's tenure at Northwestern when Voigts was a terrific lineman, is friendly.

The keen rivalry is there, of course, and there won't be any sparing the horses if either's team cuts loose on a scoring spree.

But there isn't the intense feeling which existed on other occasions in Rose Bowl annals. Nor has there been any untoward "incident" to spark the occasion.

## SEEKS TITLE BOUT

CALGARY (CP)—Fight promoter Ernie Farr of Calgary said today he is seeking a western Canada welterweight title scrap between Johnny Roberts of Winnipeg and Irish Jimmy Nolan of Calgary.

Roberts won the title last spring from Tommy Deschambeault of Calgary.

CARPET BOWLING Following a layoff over the Yuletide season, Capital City and District Carpet Bowling League play will be resumed next week with the following matches: Tuesday—Sherwood vs. Friars. Friday—Beales vs. Willows Park, C.C.F. vs. Rangers.

This is the third time Longden has won the national riding championship. In 1938 he was tops with 236 winners.

The horse that gave the English-born jockey his 1948 record was Count Victor in the third race at Santa Anita. Longden booted Count Victor, \$8.20 straight, in three lengths ahead of the odds-on favorite, Final Cal, in the six-furlong race.

Longden failed to bring in another winner in four other starts, but the big one was in the saddlebag.

And so, of course, were a few more greenbacks. The last two seasons have increased the four-foot, 10-inch rider's standing as a man of finance as well as one of the all-time great coxers of indifferent horseflesh.

### CITED MILLIONAIRE

Conservatively, Longden is rated a millionaire. Probably no other living jockey can make that claim. Longden started getting his before taxes rose and sank it into a big cattle ranch in Nevada, a beautiful big home not far from Santa Anita, and other investments.

Only one jockey, Doug Dodson, who is under contract to Calumet Farms, exceeded Longden in money won in 1947, and John Eric certainly will be among the leading earners when the figures are released for this year.

Longden's mounts last year took purses totalling \$1,304,025. Figuring the jockey's cut at about 10 per cent, that gave him roughly \$130,000.

But it's not just the money that keeps the little man going after 21 years in the stirrups. Secretly he has a hankering to catch up with one Gordy Richards, the English jockey who still leads the world in total winners with a figure somewhere over the 3,500 mark.

### Results follow:

Coma	Scratched: None.
Jack Fox	Scratched: None.
Brilliant Moon	Scratched: None.
Scratched: None.	
Second Race—	
Jeanette	Scratched: Mad Moment.
First Race—	
Willow B	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: The Stammer, Julie Pat, Panson, Relayer.	
Third Race—	
Count Victor	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Final Cal	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: Mad Moment.	
Fourth Race—	
Old Dad	Scratched: Mad Moment.
One Bell	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Sir Harold	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: Harmonie, Valinda Gaylad, Tom Y Jerry, Letecum.	
Fifth Race—	
Sir Lekanat	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Jude Lad	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: First Admiral, Gay Polly, Dr. Rush, Challenge Play.	
Sixth Race—	
King Shymee	Scratched: Mad Moment.
On The Half	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Final Touch	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: Make Up Man.	
Seventh Race—	
Shim Malone	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Grand Pete	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Jovianne	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: None.	
Chargin	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Warra Nymph	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Dri	Scratched: Mad Moment.
Scratched: Gotagal.	

Phoenix, Ariz.—Frankie Lieberman, 137, Las Vegas, Nev., and Tommy Vargas, 135, Los Angeles, drew, 10.

## VICTORIA'S MOST FAMOUS SALE MONDAY!

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For All Your SPORTING GOODS SEE Hocking & Forbes 1006 DOUGLAS ST. E 2342

MEN'S SUPPLY STORE "Men's Clothing and Footwear—For Thriftive Shoppers" 1105 GOVERNMENT STREET PHONE E 7633 OPPOSITE C.P.R. TICKET OFFICE



## Scottish Curlers Win First Games Of Canadian Tour

HALIFAX (CP) — A 50-man band of Scottish stone-throwers Wednesday opened a North American tour by drubbing curling squads from Halifax and other Nova Scotian mainland towns.

The Royal Caledonian Curling Club party swung into action here several hours after it arrived on the liner Empress of France, delayed two days by storms at sea.

It was a gala arrival, but the only persons wearing kilts were two Nova Scotian pipers who skirled the visitors away from the ship. The Scots stepped jauntily behind the pipers, their brooms at the slope over their shoulders like rifles.

The curlers talked about their happiness at being in Canada and their appreciation of "the kindness showered on us from all quarters."

James Noble of Symington, Lanarkshire, said he would like to emphasize this for his comrades and added that the tour of Canada was "definitely not a walkover—it never has been."

### INDIANS WIN HOCKEY

VANCOUVER (CP) — Ernie Dougherty racked up two goals and three assists last night to pace Vancouver Indians to an 8 to 5 victory over New Westminster Cubs in a senior B Hockey League fixture.

The win pulled Indians into the league's third position, breaking a tie with the Cubs who sank into fourth place.

White Plains, N.Y. — Carroll Alexander, 125, Washington, D.C., outpointed Dino Bieta, 131, Canton, O., 8.

### TIDES

Dec.	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low	Time	High	Low
	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.
25	10:15	10.15	9:21	10.15	9:21	10.15	9:21	10.15	9:21
26	10:42	10.42	9:48	10.42	9:48	10.42	9:48	10.42	9:48
27	11:09	11.09	10:15	11.09	10:15	11.09	10:15	11.09	10:15
28	11:36	11.36	10:42	11.36	10:42	11.36	10:42	11.36	10:42
29	12:03	12.03	11:09	12:03	11:09	12:03	11:09	12:03	11:09
30	12:30	12.30	11:36	12:30	11:36	12:30	11:36	12:30	11:36
31	12:57	12.57	11:53	12:57	11:53	12:57	11:53	12:57	11:53

SUNRISE AND SUNSET  
Pacific standard time  
Dec. 31—Rises 9:08 a.m.; sets 16:38 p.m.

## "BLACK MAGIC"

THRU THOSE GLASS DOORS... in I did drift, to get the G.P. her Christmas gift. She'd mentioned stockings or a slip, so toyed with the idea... of just a scrip. Until the sales-gal took me in tow, and HOW TO SELL... she surely did know. "A scrip?" she queried, "now WHAT A THOT... why under your tree... would look as naught. Maybe O.K. for a man's cravat, but as for your sweetie, 'twould be flatter than flat." "Humph," I replied, "so I guess THAT'S out, maybe YOU'VE an idea... the gift knock-out." But before we tell you what she went for, can we break in here with news of "The Thor." A lifetime investment for YOUR "she," to clean all her clothes so THOR-oughlee. "Well," she replied, sharp like a knife, "there's something here I've wanted... all my life. But somehow I've never... quite had the fee, and no one has ever given one to me." "Well," I sed, still fumbling about, "how about then... dragging it out." She reached up high, slid back the glass, then over the counter... did lovingly pass. "T.H.E.R.E," she encoo-ouraged, "with its buttocks... blue bows," I quickly walked out, with this gift that she chose. On Christmas day, 'neath our big tree, the G.P. ripped tissue... then stared straight at me. Then jumped up... held it for size, the look on her face... well maybe surprise??? Our daughters too... seemed taken a-back, they'd never seen such a thing... so slinky-black. But so far, "she" hasn't worn the darn thing, which to me... seems rather astonishing. But if you see us out... on New Year's Eve, you'll know why this nightie has had a reprieve. 'Cause I've a hunch... this color-tragic, will baffle out... as sheer black magic. As an evening gown... on a magician creature, I'll be dancing with... a DOUBLE FEATURE.



NUMBER'S  
FURNITURE (Retail) WAREHOUSE  
VIEW—Below Gov't St.

ANYBODY LOOKING for a genuine "Imperial Loyalist" full-size... 4-poster bed? This one was traded in, but looks like new. It's in the reddish maple... there is also a Slumber King spring (as new) to go with it, and we can dig you up a brand new S.F. mattress for only \$29.00. The I.L. bed is \$40.00 and the used spring is \$18.00... ideal for that guest room.

## Sports Round-Up

By HUGH FULLERTON JR.

NEW YORK (AP)—About this time a year ago a wordy war was being waged between the American Olympic Committee and the Amateur Hockey Association as to whose team would play in the winter Olympic Games...

The itinerary calls for a series against an A.H.A.-sponsored army team at Garmisch-Partenkirchen and participation in the world championships in Sweden...

It seems the two sides got together at the recent A.A.U. convention and agreed to work out a solution for their differences...

That apparently will be that the A.H.A. will control hockey and will become an affiliated member of the A.A.U....

### ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

A southern observer, who is high on that North Carolina football team, points out that only four Carolina backs have carried the ball in as many as 10 running plays this season...

He adds: "If either Charley Justice or Hosea Rodgers should be hurt in the Sugar Bowl—ooooh!"...

Five baseball players from the Chicago White Sox farm system are enrolled at Arkansas State College...

Stud Poker, a race horse wintering at Hialeah, received a Christmas card from his owner, Ed Voynow. With that name, the nag should get two back to back.

### Brown-Profit Take Holiday Mixed Tenpin Tournament

George Brown and Edna Profit combining three-game totals of 523 and 482, respectively, plus a handicap of 84, won the annual holiday mixed tenpin bowling tournament which concluded last night at the Arcade Alleys with a 19 pin advantage over runner-ups Harry Moulton and Erma Stables.

Winding up in third place was the Jim Tang-Peggy Henderson

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## TIME OUT!



"Maybe it'll teach him there's some things we do that he can't!"

## Seattle Varsity In Second Victory Over U.B.C. Cagers

SEATTLE (AP)—Seattle University Chiefs romped to a 66 to 59 basketball victory Wednesday night over University of British Columbia Thunderbirds, their third straight and the second in a row over the same opponent.

Bob Hedequist bundled 17 points in the loop to set the victory pace and Bob Bell topped the losers with 14. Seattle led at halftime, 33 to 24.

Coach Al Brightman's Varsity poured on the power at the start of the second half to run the count to 53 to 39, after which the reserves took over. Phillips, a U.B.C. substitute, racked up 11 points.

Teams and scores follow: U.B.C.—McLean 5, Munro 4, Forsyth 1, Mitchell 10, Bell 14, Phillips 11, Res 2, Campbell 6, Southcott 2, Watt 1, Desaulniers 3, Walker.

Seattle U.—Rose 5, Sollars 10, Spangler 8, Hedequist 17, Speldel 12, Willis 4, Madineo 8, Blakley 2, Coover, Chase, Hanning, Williams.

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## Trial Halted On Legal Point

Trial of Rene Forgues, charged with unlawfully having a pistol on his person, was adjourned to tomorrow by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today to allow time for both sides to look up authorities on a legal point.

The point in question is: can the wife of an accused give evidence against him in a case of this nature. Berkeley Monteith, defence counsel, strongly objected when the wife was called. Patrick J. Sinnott is the prosecutor.

Defendant earlier pleaded innocent.

## Stereotypers Get Wage Increase

Victoria newspapers are affected by settlement of a wage dispute between the Sun Publishing Co. Ltd. and the News Herald Ltd. and the Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union No. 88, according to an announcement by the B.C. Labor Relations Board.

The board said the union, with a Victoria and Vancouver membership of approximately 46, had agreed to accept terms recently negotiated in conciliation between the Vancouver Employers and the Typographical Union, Local 228, which gives rates of \$1.67 and \$1.77 for day and night work respectively.

Settlement will be binding upon members of the craft employed by Victoria newspapers as well the board said.

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## Yuletide Dinner, Movies Cheer Hearts Of 175 Old-Age Pensioners

By HUMPHREY DAVY

Gathered in North Ward Hall on Kings Road, Wednesday, were a group of people bound by a kindred spirit, mutual problems and age.

They were members of the Old Age Pensioners' Association Inc. You have heard of them, usually referred to as old-timers, senior citizens, aged people and the like.

When you have had a chat with them, you find they are just people like you or me with one difference. Age has made them a little wiser than we, who sometime brim with a little too much surety.

MRS. ROSS PALMER, HOSTESS

The occasion for the get-together was a Christmas party—a special treat of Mrs. H. Ross Palmer, who for the past six years has sponsored the event. She is an active campaigner for the welfare of the senior citizens, as we were soon to find out.

When we arrived at the hall, the members had just finished eating a sumptuous dinner. The menu included turkey with all the trimmings, English plum pudding with brandy and hard sauce, hot mince squares and apple juice and tea. There was everything that they might want.

There were some distinguished guests present. Mayor Percy George was there representing the City Council, and Rev. G. R. Easter, who said grace and thanked Mrs. Palmer for her work.

### TOO BUSY FOR INTERVIEW

Mrs. Palmer proved a hard person to contact. She was bustling from one spot to another, giving a helping hand here and there, and taking home elderly people who had expressed a wish to leave early.

"Do you know," she said after we had managed to corner her, "every year people come here and promise something will be done to further the cause of these people. It is the same old song, you know, the same words, but nothing is ever done."

We found out that most people were thinking the same thing. But they did not say so out loud. They just sat patiently listening to the speeches about the hopes for the future—the hopes which they have been expecting for years.

The pensioners had a cheerful party. There was no grumbling. Besides they had lots to say to their old friends. The occasion presents an opportunity for them to meet at least once a year. There were reminiscences to exchange and pleasant memories to revive about the good old days. It was hard to believe, but in that room there were 10,250 years. Figure it out by multiplying 175 persons by an average age of 75. There were more women than men.

### SOME IN THE NINETIES

Quite a few of the members were in the eighties. Some were in the nineties and had traveled far and wide before coming to Victoria. Many were alone in the world with no families and were getting along on small pensions. There were others with children who were providing them with a home.

We had a chat with a few of the pensioners. One of these was John Smith, a Nova Scotia miner, whose honest hands, which helped keep the home fires burning and the wheels of industry turning, were now tightening up on him.

"Arthritis," he explained. "My feet are getting that way now. You see my hands were never dry in that mine," he said. "I kept it up as long as I could, but when you get on in years, you have to give it up."



Mrs. Sara Arnold, left, president of the Pensioners' Association, and Mrs. Ross Palmer, who sponsored Christmas dinner for 175 senior citizens.



James Parker, 86, a former English cab driver, and J. S. Camplin, dapper and alert at 89, an original member of the association.

We looked at his deeply lined hands, at the man who had seen many men carried out of the pits as red as beet—dead from gas.

### WORLD-TROTTING GOLD MINER

"Take a tip young fellow. There is no future in gold digging." The advice came from William Harry White, 84, who did plenty of globe trotting in his younger days in search of gold.

"Of course," Mr. White added with a twinkle in his eyes, "it was a good life if you wanted to live for the day." He related that he had traveled to South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, South America, India and China. He seemed particularly proud of telling us that he had never stayed long anywhere, until he came to Victoria. That finished his wandering, he said. He decided to stay here.

Sitting quietly in a corner of the hall was James Parker, 86, who was a cab proprietor in England before he came to Canada in the early 20s. There was also J. S. Camplin, who looked more like 50 than 89 years. He was for many years with the C.P.R. Telegraph, having resided in Winnipeg for the greater part of his active life.

### SENIOR WOMAN, 82

The senior lady was Mrs. Sarah Arnold, 82, who for the past six years has been head of the organization. She seemed particularly proud of this. George Crooks, 88,



### ALUMNI SECRETARY

Frank J. E. Turner, whose three-year contract expires at the end of the year, has been re-appointed a full-time secretary-manager of the University of British Columbia Alumni Association. It was announced today by Winston A. Shillock, the new president of the association. An active member of the Vancouver Board of Trade as well as several other community groups, Lt.-Cmdr. Turner is also commanding officer of the University Naval Training Division at U.B.C. and is a member of the executive of District 8 of the American Alumni Council.

## Four Vehicles In Gorge Accident

Two persons suffered minor hurts in a Gorge Road accident Wednesday evening involving four vehicles, Saanich police report. Vehicle damage was figured at a total of \$500.

Police said a Vancouver Island Coach Lines bus, driven by D. L. McCool, Churchill Hotel, was in collision with the rear of a car driven by Norman C. Stewart, Langford, near Millgrove Road. The Stewart car then hit the rear of a car driven by Kenneth H. Parsons, 2933 Orillia Street, which was in a brush with a car driven by William Allen, 733 Sooke Road, police said.

Leg bruises and shock were sustained by Miss Ivy Thompson, 2933 Orillia, and she was taken home by officers. Suffering the same hurts, Stewart was treated at Jubilee Hospital and released.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

A salvage collection for Fairfield, Fernwood and Mount Tolmie. E 3413.

## One Victoria Firm Among 19 Registered In Week Ending Today

One Victoria company was among 19 registered with the Provincial Government in the week ending today.

It is The Calvaline Co. Ltd. with a capital of \$10,000. Offices are in the Bank of Toronto Building, Douglas Street.

Ten Vancouver companies were registered. They are: B.C. Radio Cabs Ltd. \$10,500; Downtown Parking Corporation Ltd., 100,000 shares no par value; Anne Muirhead Florist Ltd., \$25,000; George Forret Advertising Ltd., \$30,000; Tahsis Co. Ltd., \$4,000; Marpole Transfer Co. Ltd., 50,000 shares no par value; Advance Construction Co. Ltd., \$50,000; Sim Lee Yuen (1948) Ltd., \$9,000, also 1,000 shares no par value; Buzzelle Construction Co. Ltd., \$20,000; Fairley and Co. Ltd., \$10,000.

Registered from elsewhere: Wrights (Westminster) Ltd., \$10,000; New Westminster; Fowler-Rattle Ltd., \$30,000; Prince Rupert; Hacker Press Ltd., \$100,000; Abbotsford; Kamloops Woman's Bakery Ltd., \$50,000; Kamloops; Westminster Pharmacy Ltd., \$30,000, also 1,000 shares no par value; New Westminster; Yarrow Lumber Co. Ltd., \$50,000; Chilliwack; Jorde Sawmills Ltd., \$50,000; Keremco; Pacific Coast Protection and Investigation Agencies Ltd., \$10,000; New Westminster.

Registered extra provincially in the week were: Weston Bakeries Ltd., Boulangeries Weston Ltd., 50,000 shares no par value, head office Toronto and B.C. offices, Vancouver; Gwilliam Lake Gold Mines Ltd. (non personal liability) \$3,000,000, head offices Toronto, B.C. offices Vancouver; Bcon-Strachan Coal Co. Ltd., \$48,000, head offices Montreal, B.C. offices Vancouver.

Registered under the Societies Act were the Kinsmen Club of Duncan and Woodward's Benevolent Society, Vancouver.

One co-operative association was registered in the week—U.B.C. Co-operative Aero Association, University of B.C., Vancouver.

## Home Robbery

A burglar who broke into the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hocking, 1736 Kings Road, during the night while occupants were asleep, made off with Mrs. Hocking's purse containing \$10, a fountain pen and pencil and pictures.

Purse was found outside the house this morning minus its contents. Entry was gained after midnight by forcing a rear window. Purse was in the kitchen.

City police report that a Smith-Davidson and Wright truck was entered during the night and the following articles stolen: One mirror, some pliers, a carton of ink, 10,000 staples for paper and a half gross of type-writer cleaners.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

BIRTHS  
CORCORAN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Corcoran (nee Mary Ann MacDougal), 2054 Kings Road, at St. Joseph's Hospital, on Dec. 29, a son, James Denis.

## Highway Death Accidental; Jury Asks More Frequent Sanding

A coroner's jury today returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of Solomon Rutter, 1572 Monterey Avenue, who died an hour and a half after a car in which he was riding Dec. 24 was in collision on East Saanich Road.

The jury, after hearing four witnesses tell of the icy condition of East Saanich Road just north of Stealy's Cross Road, scene of the accident, added a rider advocating as frequent sanding of highways as possible under such conditions.

The accident, which occurred when a small English car police say was driven by Mrs. F. C. Holden, 1572 Monterey Avenue, daughter of the deceased, and in which Rutter was a passenger, skidded on an ice patch after passing a car driven by William Turner, Cultra Road, Saanichton. Rear wheels of the Holden car, said Mr. Turner, skidded to the right and it slid sideways across the highway into a northbound

automobile driven by Keith H. Cameron, Wilkinson Road.

### NOT SPEEDING

Cameron said the oncoming car did not appear to be going at an excessive speed, but slid into his path before he realized what had happened. He added that he was on the right side of the road.

Constables Robert J. Adrian and David Anderson of the Saanich police force, who attended the scene, told how the police ambulance slid on the same ice on its arrival and turned almost completely around.

They took Mr. Rutter and Mrs. Holden to Royal Jubilee Hospital where the former died at 4:50 without regaining consciousness.

Dr. Andrew Gillespie testified that he attended the deceased at the hospital. Death, he said, was due to shock from the many injuries suffered by the 86-year-old man. He had fractured legs, a broken arm and an injured head.

Mrs. Holden is still in hospital with injuries suffered in the mishap. Her son, David Holden, gave evidence for identification purposes. He said his grandfather was in good health for his age.

Jury men at the inquest for the 15th traffic death in the Victoria area this year were: Ernest Angless, foreman; Joseph Brooks, Arthur Veals, William Bryant, John Hampton and Allen Avery.

## Premier Extends New Year Greeting

Premier Byron Johnson today wished the people of British Columbia a happy and prosperous new year.

He said: "I do so, mindful of the many opportunities for development that present themselves to British Columbians."

"I trust that the citizens will have the courage to do nothing that will discourage those desirous of investing their money in the development of our great resources. Much property, industry and opportunities can be derived from those who are interested in establishing concerns in this province."

"I feel that we as British Columbians should show our faith in our own province so that others will be willing to assist us in the establishment of important secondary industries. In this way we all may enjoy a program of expansion far exceeding our expectations and surpassing the experience that has been ours in this respect during the past five years."

"With these thoughts in mind I once again extend to you one and all my heartiest good wishes for a happy and prosperous new year."

Cars driven by Edward V. Dear, 2107 Blanshard Street, and David A. Randall, 528 Michigan Street, were in collision at 6:05 Wednesday night at Government and Belleville Streets, city police reported. No extensive damage was reported.

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**Displaced Women Loyal To Boy Friends Of Homeland**

So far none of the displaced women from Europe serving in Victoria under a one-year contract as domestic servants, have lost their hearts to local lads, according to Miss Christina Gardner, superintendent of the Y.W.C.A.

"They remain loyal to their sweethearts in Germany or Poland," she said. "They write frequently to them and like any other girls pine for a home and children."

Miss Gardner, however, expressed the hope that some of the girls would find husbands in Victoria. She said she would be glad to introduce the girls to boys next year when their contract was over.

"AWFULLY PRETTY" "They are 'awfully pretty,'" she commented. "They would make fine wives."

Miss Gardner said the girls are adjusting themselves to the Canadian way of life. They are anxious to learn English and to be taught how things are done here.

"A finer group of girls there never was," said the superintendent. "They are wonderful at home crafts, like embroidery. Strange to say they want to learn our crafts, such as leather-work."

"Speaking of their difficulties, she said language was their greatest obstacle. Often there were misunderstandings due to the language barrier."

When one girl was asked to get a pot-lid, for example, she related, the girl thought that her English companion was referring to ice-skating. On another occasion an employer laughed with one of the displaced person. The girl was hurt because she thought she was being laughed at.

"But they are making progress in their English," Miss Gardner said. "It won't be long before they have mastered the language."

Miss Gardner reported that there had been a few adjustments among the 40 girls who settled in Victoria during the past year.

She said their girls were not at fault. Unforeseen circumstances arose and a few had to be re-adjusted. But such cases were very few, she said.

**'GADGETS' PUZZLE THEM**

She said in some cases the girls had some difficulties in learning to light Canadian stoves. "Some of them have lived in barracks during the war and had never seen kitchen stoves like we are accustomed to," she said. "The gadgets and dials, puzzle them. It was hard to explain what to do because they could not understand English."

Miss Gardner said their pet expression was: "We want to live in good taste in Canada. We don't want to make any silly mistakes."

**German General Von Arnim Saved 600 Allied Soldiers**

OTTAWA (CP)—An enemy commander helped save the lives of 600 British and American troops in the Second World War and he has Canada's Governor-General to vouch for it.

Viscount Alexander recalls he was just 40 miles southwest of Tunis in the African mountains near the coastal city held by Col. Gen. Dietloff von Arnim, when he heard an open message warning him not to bomb a crippled ship in Tunis harbor.

"You'll kill your own men," Viscount Alexander was warned. The message was from von Arnim, commander of the German forces routed from Tunisia. A few days after the warning Tunis fell to the Allies. Von Arnim was taken prisoner.

The message proved correct. A crippled ship lay in harbor. The Allies did not bomb it. The men aboard—all prisoners of the Germans—were saved.

In a letter to the Berlin newspaper Die Welt Wednesday, von Arnim said: "When I met

General Alexander, he thanked me and granted me a free wish. I asked that a similar number of seriously wounded German soldiers be sent in an Italian hospital ship to Italy. He granted my request."

Viscount Alexander says von Arnim is correct up to a point. The point is he did not grant him a "free wish."

"When he capitulated, he was taken to my headquarters caravan for the night," the Governor-General recalls.

"Now, general," said Viscount Alexander, "is there anything I can do for you?"

He believed von Arnim replied: "Would you look after 600 of my wounded men?"

Viscount Alexander recalled that he told him:

"They will be looked after and given hospital treatment right here."

He said he never promised to send them back to Italy in an Italian hospital ship. Such an act at that time would not have been possible.

**New Speculation Prompted On Cash Cost Of Cold War**

WASHINGTON (CP)—Defence Secretary Forrestal's warning that United States military aid to western Europe may mean "hard decisions by our people" has prompted new speculation as to the probable cost in cold cash.

His remark, in a report to President Truman, was a highlight of his short reference to this phase of U.S. defence planning.

Military experts of the countries of the proposed Atlantic security alliance are believed studying that cost now. Unofficial estimates place it at \$2,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 a year.

The military men are meeting here in conjunction with a series of talks among Robert Lovett, acting secretary of state, and the ambassadors of Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. The ambassadors

are striving to draft an alliance guaranteeing United States and Canadian assistance if any of the five European countries are attacked.

Forrestal's report, released Wednesday night, ranged the whole field of United States defence. His reference to Atlantic defence was one of three related statements. The others:

1. The State Department announced it has been instructed by Truman to co-ordinate for submission to Congress, all of the government's foreign-aid planning.

2. Lovett said the Atlantic Alliance talks are progressing favorably. But he said he has no idea how long they will continue.

Forrestal pulled no punches in his reference to western Europe. "In my own mind," he said, "the choice is clear: We must do all in our power to re-create the confidence and hope of Europe. It does not follow that we have to embark immediately upon a vast program of military aid, but rather that we show, by the beginning of such a program in modest proportions, that we intend to follow through the actions involved in the European Recovery Act. This . . . is adding another stone in the structure of European recovery . . ."

**Weyerhaeuser Line Buys Two More Ships**

SEATTLE (AP)—The Weyerhaeuser Steamship Co. announced today it has purchased two Liberty ships from the Maritime Commission for about \$1,300,000. They will be used in inter-coastal service.

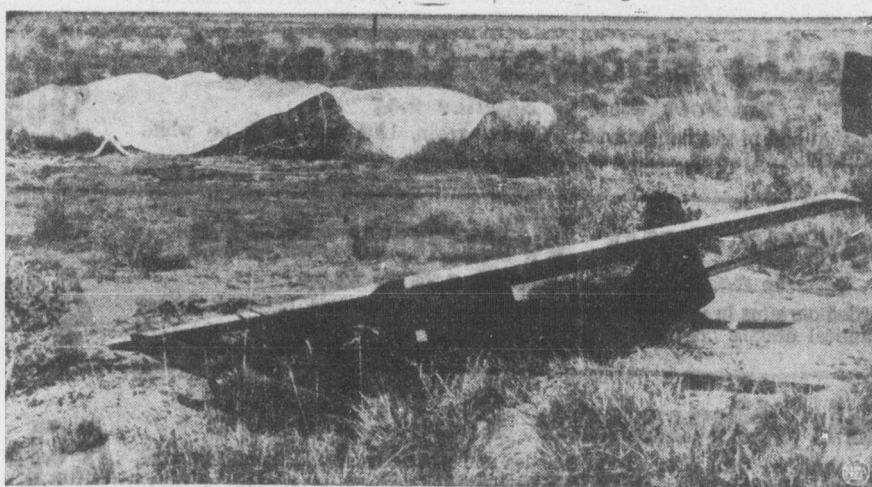
The company's fleet now totals six ships, only two short of its prewar size. They have been named the W. H. Peabody and the George S. Long.

**U.S. Air Force Pops Away At 220-M.P.H. 'Clay Pigeon'**

Taxing along a 60-foot catapult, before a rocket launches it into the air, is the U.S. Air Force's new remote-controlled target plane, the OQ-19A. Shot into the air at a speed of 80 miles an hour, the tiny plane is capable of doing 220 miles an hour and performing intricate aerial manoeuvres and high-speed dives. The plane was tested at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, O.



Into the air goes the newest "clay pigeon," which is twice as fast and twice as large as any previously developed pilotless flying target. The OQ-19A weighs 300 pounds, is 10½ feet long with a 12-foot wingspan. At a 200-yard range it looks like a normal-sized pursuit plane 500 yards distant. With a four-cylinder engine, it can be controlled from ground or air.



Landing is accomplished by means of a cargo-type parachute, which can be released by the operator, or which automatically releases if the radio carrier wave controlling the flight is interrupted. Another device releases the parachute as the plane lands, so it can't be dragged along the ground, which might damage it. It will fly for an hour without refueling.

**I.W.A. Membership In B.C. Down 3,000**

VANCOUVER (CP)—Stewart Alsby, British Columbia district president of the International Woodworkers of America (C.L.A.), said Wednesday I.W.A. membership in B.C. had dropped only 3,000 since the Oct. 3 union schism.

He said the I.W.A. still has 24,000 of the 27,000 members registered in October.

Vancouver Local 1-217 had increased its membership by 1,200 men, to more than 5,250 last month, he said.

His figures were compiled from employers' payroll deductions of union dues during October and November.

Earlier, Harold Pritchard and Ernie Dalskog, who led the move to form the leftist Woodworkers Industrial Union of Canada, had claimed 20,000 I.W.A. men would join the rebel union.

**Veteran Of 150 Rescues, Halifax Tug Retired**

HALIFAX (CP)—The Foundation Franklin, 31-year-old veteran Atlantic salvage tug, has been retired and may find her way to the scrapyard. Coal-burning engines of the Franklin which has 150 maritime rescues to its credit can't compete with the oil-burning craft now used.

**Airborne, Winter Training Feature Army Developments**

OTTAWA (CP)—An official review of the army's activities in 1948 today singled out airborne and winter training, a pay raise and a multi-million-dollar housing program for married soldiers as its important events.

The year also brought announcement that rations are being improved and that a new summer uniform will be provided in 1949.

The review recalled that the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, one of three regular infantry battalions, was the first unit to start the para-troop and glider training that will eventually give Canada an airborne brigade group.

Both active and reserve soldiers were encompassed in a new program of winter training which meant opening of several schools across the country and the first infantry training for regulars at the Churchill, Man., sub-Arctic experimental base. The army got its share of the married quarters built under a \$30,000,000 housing program for all three forces. The review said "authorities consider that by spring the big rush will be over and many soldiers now separated from their families will be reunited in a home of their own."

**COLLEGE OPENED**

The year also saw the re-opening of Royal Military College at Kingston, Ont., as a tri-service cadet college; lowering of the enlistment age to 17 and lowering of the educational requirements for enlistment.

Defence Minister Claxton told a year-end press conference the services were prepared to give some men with, say, a grade nine education, the schooling that will bring them up to the educational level necessary for certain jobs.

**Canadian Toddler Cart Accepted For Prince**

WATERLOO, Ont. (CP)—A specially-built toddler cart offered by the city of Waterloo for the baby Prince Charles has been accepted by Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. Notification to this effect was received from Buckingham Palace.

Victoria Public Library will be closed all day Saturday.

**Sudbury Hockey Team Runs Afoul Of British Customs**

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng. (CP)—Southampton customs officials Wednesday seized sports equipment, including 500 hockey sticks, from the kit of Sudbury Wolves, who will represent Canada in the world hockey championships at Stockholm this winter.

The players arrived here aboard the liner Queen Elizabeth.

The seizure of their equipment followed a British customs officer's suspicion that sports equipment brought into the country on previous tours by overseas teams had been sold before they left England, thus evading import duties.

Customs officials said an import licence would be required for that portion of the kit which the team did not actually need for their immediate tour and the remainder would be confiscated pending inquiries.

"We have allowed too much rope in the past," one customs official said. "Now we are going to clamp down."

The team will play their opening game in London tonight. Other games will be played in a number of European countries, but dates have not been definitely set.

**Laborers Thrive, Capitalists Quake In East Germany**

By DANIEL DE LUCE  
BERLIN (AP)—It's tough to be a capitalist in eastern Germany. Your life may be forfeit. It's fine to be a Communist. You get better rations, more coal for your home, and a fatter salary.

The Russian occupation zone is still in a topsy-turvy economic condition but the blueprint of future developments is at hand. State trusts are swallowing up private industries.

Kolkhoz (collective) farming, is the next step in agriculture. The process of Sovietization was begun by the Red Army in 1945 when the ruins of Berlin had hardly stopped smoking and the Allies were still looking for Hitler.

Now this process has such momentum that it can be expected to continue regardless of whether Russian troops depart. It started with two fundamental measures: Creation of a proletariat of the soil and acquisition of key industries by a Russian trust.

The land reform in 1945 wiped out not only the rich junkers but middle-class farmers as well. Some 200,000 city dwellers, who had never turned a furrow, were resettled on plots as small as 12 or 15 acres. Small farmers received additional bits of acreage, but not enough to make them independent.

The Union of Mutual Farmers' Aid, controlled by Communists, has 26 per cent of the available tractors in eastern Germany and gets priority on buying any new ones.

About a third of the total industrial capacity of eastern Germany is owned by Russia. Private textile manufacturers were holding out against a Communist-sponsored campaign to squeeze them from the industry. But Saxony courts recently condemned six textile executives to death on black-market charges.



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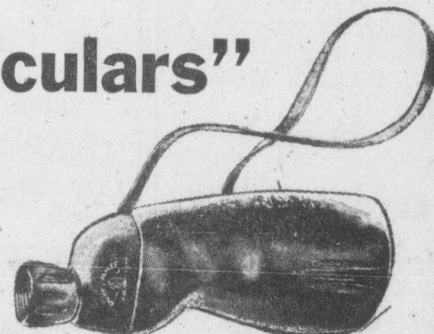
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